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We have tried this neutralization project in Central America. Why not apply it here? If Britain will consent to this a treaty can be concluded and ratified before the adjournment of the present Congress. He would not vote a cent until we shall be secured against having our safety and the lives of our people perilled by the exclusive use of the line by the British Government in war time. He regarded this as a project for the benefit of speculators in stocks, cotton and produce, and not for that of this Government.

Mr. BENJAMIN could not believe the Senator from Ohio was serious in inviting a concession of this character from Great Britain, and it seemed he had not looked at the subject in a practical light when he spoke of this being a golden opportunity, because Great Britain needs this communication so much and we have so little use for it, that it puts it in our power to exact terms from her. The Senator had not considered how small a sum of money was asked; for what we propose to pay would amount in the whole twenty-five years to something like three or four hundred thousand pounds sterling. Now if this be a matter of such vast importance to Great Britain, if this be such a golden opportunity, and if the control of that line would be such a powerful engine in time of war as well as peace, was it not extraordinary that she proposes to us full and equal participation in the control and benefit of the line, and consents to allow our Government and citizens equal rights with herself and citizens for the mere sum named? It must be obvious it was not regarded by the British Government in the light in which Mr. PRATT viewed it. If she looked upon it in that light this sum would be but as a drop in the bucket to her, and when we consider the power and immense resources of that Empire we may as well discard such considerations from our minds regarding the matter. Instead of pursuing a niggardly and exclusive policy, Great Britain has said she will not take advantage of her position in this matter, but will repay that testimonial of good feeling which we have recently manifested in the restoration of the bark Resolute, by tendering to us that which is infinitely more valuable and important. Ours was a graceful act of generosity, but here is a great sacrifice of national advantages which she exclusively possesses, and which she tenders to us in a spirit of amity, which will be preservative of that peace we all affect to cherish, but which, he was afraid, we take little means to maintain. If we reject this offer, never shall we have such an advantageous opportunity again. Let us not always be thinking of war, but use all means for preserving peace. The money which would be expended by this Government in a six months' war with Great Britain, would far exceed everything this Government would have to pay for the use of the telegraph line for the entire twenty-five years of the contract.

Messrs. HUNTER, THOMPSON of Kentucky, PEARCE, and GEYER opposed the bill for various reasons.

Mr. WELLER was not willing that seventy thousand dollars should be expended for this telegraph, while a similar connection with the Pacific, vastly more important, was neglected.

Mr. BUTLER was not willing to trust the destinies of this country to a wire controlled by Great Britain, and urged other objections to the bill.

Messrs. RUSK, DOUGLAS, TOUCEY, SEWARD, and MALLORY pressed its passage.

Mr. BAYARD remarked it was certain that if practical is the line would be established. It were better we should have some share in it, as we cannot prevent its construction by our refusal to participate in the enterprise. He offered an amendment, which was adopted, providing such arrangements as may be necessary to secure to each government the transmission of its own messages by its own agents.

Mr. PRATT withdrew his amendment, when several of a verbal character were made.

The bill then passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Bell of N. H., Bell of Tenn., Benjamin, Brodhead, Brown, Collamer, Dodge, Doughty, Durkee, Fessenden, Fish, Foot, Foster, Hale, Houston, James, Jones of Iowa, Mallory, Pratt, Rusk, Seward, Stuart, Thomson of N. J., Toucey, Wade, Wilson, Wright, Yulee—29.

NAYS—Messrs. Biggs, Clay, Crittenden, Evans, Fitzpatrick, Green, Hunter, Iverson, Johnson, Pearce, Reid, Sebastian, Thompson of Ky., Toombs, Trumbull, Weller—19.

Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to procure a bust in marble of the late Chief Justice, WILLIAM CUSHING, of Massachusetts.

The House bill to "enforce the attendance of witnesses, &c.," was then received, and by unanimous consent referred to the Judiciary Committee, who forthwith called a meeting, and in the course of five minutes reported it without amendment and asked its immediate consideration.

Mr. WILSON objected, when the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 22.

THE TIMES CORRESPONDENT.

The pending question was on the motion to reconsider the vote by which was passed the resolution, directing the Sergeant-at-arms to keep Mr. SIMMONS in close confinement, and to lay that motion on the table.

Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL asked where Mr. SIMMONS was—whether he was now in custody, and if so, by what authority?

The Speaker replied that was a question not properly before the House.

Mr. MARSHALL maintained that it was pertinent to know the fact.

Mr. OTE said that Mr. SIMMONS could not be confined until final disposition be made of the resolution.

Mr. CLINGMAN wanted the resolution again brought before the House with a view to amendment.

Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL, before the House voted, wanted the prisoner brought to the bar.

The Speaker remarked that the Sergeant-at-Arms had informed him that Mr. SIMMONS was in custody and was present.

A voice—"Where is he?" and response, "There he is, at his desk."

The pending question was decided in the affirmative by 116 against 77.

PASSAGE OF THE BILL TO ENFORCE TESTIMONY.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill, reported from the Select Committee, more effectually to enforce the attendance of witnesses on the summons of either House of Congress, and compel them to discover testimony.

Mr. DAVIS, of Maryland, from the Select Committee, reported a substitute, providing additional pains and penalties to those now authorized. He explained it contemplated a definite and efficient punishment. No witness was to be allowed hereafter to willfully refuse to give testimony, or produce any paper, and, if he do so, he shall be liable to indictment for misdemeanor, and, on conviction, shall pay a fine not more than a thousand, nor less than a hundred dollars, and be imprisoned in the penitentiary not more than twelve nor less than one month. The witness was to be protected from criminal prosecution for any testimony he may give before Congressional Committees, but not relieved from prosecution for perjury. Mr. DAVIS then called on the House to relieve the Committee from the difficulties which stand at the threshhold of their investigation.

Mr. MILSON wished to substitute imprisonment in jail instead of the penitentiary, as the latter was used only for felonious offences.

To this the Select Committee agreed.

Mr. WASHBURN of Me. wanted some effective bill to compel witnesses to give testimony. The purity of Congress demanded it, but the Committee on the Judiciary should examine the bill to ascertain whether its provisions were not inconsistent with the rights of the citizen as secured by the Constitution.

Mr. GROW said, yesterday the Committee reported a bill which gentlemen sought to pass on the spur of the moment, under a great excitement of indignant virtue. After a night's reflection another similar bill is brought forward, and this is the best evidence that the subject should be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. A measure so important should not be passed in a hurly-burly manner. It is the duty of Congress to protect the rights of American citizens as well as their own.

Mr. DAVIS, of Maryland, replied the object of the Committee was merely to enact provisions of common law.

Mr. HUMPHREY MARSHALL said the bill was not sufficiently guarded. Its extent was too wide. Distinctions should be made as to cases in which witnesses refuse to testify before visiting them with punishment. The bill ought to undergo the rigid examination of the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. DUNN asked whether the Committee had considered what would be the effect of the bill on confidential communications to legal counsel, on the secret service fund, and on matters known only to the Executive Department of the Government. If the bill protected these points he would vote for it.

Mr. OTE replied, that in investigations before Parliament secret communications to lawyers do not exempt a witness from testifying relative thereto, but this was different from the practice of the Courts. As to subjects in confidence with the Executive Department the gentleman from Indiana had suggested an extreme case, and one not probable to occur. It was his (Ote's) individual opinion, that Congress have the right to know the application of the secret service fund. Exclusive of himself there was as much ability in the members of the Select Committee as in those constituting the Judiciary Committee. In fact, the former had gone further than the latter in framing a bill similar to the pending, for they had recently looked into all the authorities bearing on the case. It was necessary that the bill should be passed now, in order to ferret out and expose the truth of all the imputations upon members of Congress. He should construe the retention of the bill as a defeat of the measure.

The bill passed by yeas, 182; Nays, 19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Bennett of N. Y., Bennett of Miss., Bliss, Burlingame, Colfax, Edwards, Hughes, Maclay, Humphrey Marshall, Quitman, Wallbridge, Watson.

The House then passed the bill to establish the office of Surveyor-General in Nebraska, and for other purposes. Adjourned.

NEW-YORK LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.....ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

From the merchants of New-York against passing the bill in relation to Port Wardens in New-York.

From the Supervisors of Kings County, for authority to borrow $25,000 to complete the Penitentiary.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Medical Colleges reported by a bill appropriating for the New-York Consumption Hospital $10,000 for 1857, and $10,000 for 1858, for the purpose of erecting a suitable building for the institution.

The Committee on Judiciary reported a bill to restore to the Indians the lands on the Seneca and Cattaraugus reservation, which were sold for taxes; the purchasers to be remunerated from the State Treasury for the money expended, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent.

The Committee on Banks reported favorably the bill requiring Savings Banks to report semi-annually to the Superintendent of the Banking Department.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. BROOKS, to secure the purity of the ballot-box.

BILLS PASSED.

Allowing the Corporation of New-York to borrow $500,000 to build a new reservoir.

To close Bloomingdale Square.

To provide for the payment of the awards made for laying out the Central Park.

BILLS NOTIFIED.

By Mr. BROOKS, ceding jurisdiction to the United States of land at Tarrytown Point for building a lighthouse.

To regulate the price of potatoes by weight.

To confirm the action of the Common Council relative to widening Battery-place.

By Mr. KELLY, to prevent Banks of Issue from acting as Savings Banks.

To increase the security of bankers by allowing a margin of 20 per cent. on mortgages deposited as security.

By Mr. PETTIT, to prohibit the issue of naturalization papers by any Court but the Supreme Court.

By Mr. URHAM, to make the Canal Auditor a State officer.

Mr. BROOKS introduced a resolution requiring information as to the number of pardons granted by the Governor in the last four years. It was amended to cover ten years, and then tabled.

The Appropriation bill was made the special order for 12 o'clock to-morrow. Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY....ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED.

After a protracted and somewhat personal debate, the House last night voted down all propositions to amend the Supply bill by a large majority. At nearly 12 o'clock the bill was reported to the House by the Committee of the Whole, and ordered to a third reading. Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY....THURSDAY, Jan. 22.

The joint resolution complimenting Captain HARTSTEIN and appropriating $500 for a gold medal to be presented to him was called up and adopted.

Under general orders, the bill ceding jurisdiction to the United States over property in New-York to be sold for a Post-Office site, was debated.

The amendment under discussion reserves to the State of New-York the right to serve all criminal and civil processes within the territory ceded, and extends over it the Police regulations of the City.

Without taking a vote, progress was reported on the bill.

The bill extending the time for the collection of taxes in all the cities and towns of the State, excluding New-York and Albany, was then taken up and was ordered to a third reading, after being amended so as to exclude Brooklyn, Troy, Rochester and Buffalo.

An attempt was subsequently made to pass the bill ceding jurisdiction over the Brick Church property to the United States, to a third reading, but was defeated.

No other business of interest was done.

Adjourned.

Matters Before the Legislature.

The following is Mr. PETTIT'S bill relative to Election Districts in New-York:

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Common Council of the City of New-York, to increase the number of Poll or Election Districts of said City to 200, or as many more as may be deemed necessary for that full and free exercise of the elective franchise by the citizens thereof, said districts to be as near as may as of equal extent and population, and the said increase to be made and completed at most thirty days preceding the next election for charter officers of said City.

THE SALARIES OF MINISTERS.

Mr. BRADFORD has introduced a bill, which provides that Boards of Trustees of religious societies shall have power, under a vote of a majority of the members of said society, to levy or collect an annual assessment on the pews or seats in their house of worship, sufficient to defray all expenses or liabilities incurred by the Trustees for the payment of the salary of the clergyman of said society, and all other expenses necessary to the proper maintenance of good society. Notices of the amount assessed on each pew shall be given by the Trustees, and the same may be collected in any Court of Justice.

THE NORTHERN DISPENSARY OF NEW-YORK.

The Trustees of this Institution report that, during the year 1856, their Dispensary has furnished medical attendance and medicine to 11,929 persons, of whom 3,654 were attended at their residences, and 7,875 were attended at the Dispensary building. Of these persons, 4,959 were males, and 6,770 were females. Their birthplaces were as follows: Ireland, 6,027; United States, 4,407; England, 229; Germany, 183; Scotland, 97; Other Countries, 143. Of the above persons, 841 were vaccinated.

THE NEW-YORK MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS BANK.

The annual report of this Bank has been received. It shows that the amount received on deposit during the past year was $143,619; amount paid $126,115 22. The rate of interest paid to depositors was 6 per cent. per annum on all sums of $300 and under, and 5 per cent. on all sums of $500. The aggregate of deposits on the 1st day of January was $810,645 83.

INSUBORDINATION IN THE STATE PRISON.

On motion of Mr. SPENCER the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Inspectors of the State Prison be requested to report to the Senate whether any resistance, organized or otherwise, has been recently made to the rules or government of either of the Prisons under their charge; and whether any such insubordination now exists; and if there is such opposition or resistance to the regulations of the Prisons that they report all the information they may possess in relation to the same.

THE INEBRIATE ASYLUM.

On motion of Mr. FERGUSON the following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Directors of the "Inebriate Asylum," or their representatives in office, report to the Senate, in full, the amount of money subscribed, the amount paid in, how invested, and their proceedings from the time their charter was granted up to the present time; also whether any persons connected therewith have received, or expect to receive, any compensation for their services.

Personal.

In consequence of the necessary withdrawal from the Gubernatorial Chair of HANNIBAL HAMLIN, who has been elected to the long term in the United States Senate, Hon. JOSEPH WILLIAMS, of Augusta, President of the Senate, will become the acting Governor of Maine, after the 4th of March next. The Portland *Advertiser* says he is "a man of rare and reliable character."

Hon. ZACHARIAH CHANDLER, the new Michigan Senator, is a New-Hampshire man. He was born in Bedford, Hillsborough County, a little more than forty years ago. About 1833, he entered as clerk in the store of STEPHEN KENRICK, of Nashua, N. H., which place he left for Detroit. He served in the staff of General RIDDLE, New-Hampshire militia, for a short period, which gave him a military title. He has held no office hitherto.

Colonel BENTON returned to Boston from Marblehead in the storm of Sunday evening. The *Post* reports that he told a Missourian he enjoys the climate, and will lecture in New-England for three months, if the people desire it.

VERY INTERESTING DETAILS OF THE CHINA NEWS.

Full Particulars of the British Demonstration against Canton.

Official Correspondence on the Cause of the Outbreak.

PRESENCE OF A LARGE AMERICAN NAVAL FORCE.

An American Vessel Fired into by the Chinese.

EXCITING SCENES AND INCIDENTS.

CHINESE VERSION OF THE DISPUTE.

OUR CANTON CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CAUSES THAT LED TO HOSTILITIES—PREPARATIONS TO BOMBARD—THE U. S. WAR VESSELS PORTSMOUTH AND LEVANT AT CANTON—SITUATION OF FOREIGN RESIDENTS—REMOVAL OF TREASURE—SERVICES OF AMERICAN SEAMEN AND MARINES—FIGHT IN THE STREETS—THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S PROCLAMATION AGAINST THE ENGLISH—LETTER FROM YEH TO THE AMERICAN CONSUL—BOMBARDMENT AND STORMING OF THE WALLS BY THE BRITISH—THE U. S. CONSUL JOINING IN THE ATTACK AND DISPLAYING THE STARS AND STRIPES ON THE WALLS OF THE CITY—CONFLAGRATIONS WITHIN—DESTRUCTION OF AN AMERICAN MISSIONARY'S HOUSE—SIR MICHAEL SEYMOUR.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

CANTON, China, Thursday, Oct. 30, 1856.

I send the particulars, in as much detail as I have been able to obtain them, of the circumstances attending the bombardment of this great city by the English naval forces under Rear Admiral Sir MICHAEL SEYMOUR. The firing is not yet over, and where the matter will end no one can predict.

The immediate origin of the affair was an outrage committed on the British Flag about two weeks ago by the authorities of Canton. A small *lorcha*, or river-trading boat, having English papers made out in due form, owned as English property, and sailing under the English flag, was boarded on her arrival here, under the charge of having on board certain notorious pirates,—the flag was hauled down, and the crew, twelve in number, (Chinese,) carried off, put in prison, and three of them decapitated. Subsequently, when Mr. PARKES, the British Consul, went on board one of the man-of-war junks to expostulate, he was treated with great indignity and unceremoniously "hustled off." It is but just, however, to say that he is reported to have provoked this treatment by his harshness and incivility on board the junk. Commodore ELliot, of the frigate *Sybille*, who was at Whampoa at the time, proceeded very promptly to make reprisals on the Chinese, and dispatched a steamer to Canton, which seized a man-of-war junk and very quietly brought her down to Whampoa.

YEH, the Governor-General of Canton, with surprising obstinacy, continued to refuse secession to the demands of the English, which were, that he should restore the crew which he had taken from the lorcha, with a suitable explanation and apology, and should hoist again the flag which he had lowered. The English accordingly strengthened there forces at Canton and in its neighborhood, and evinced such a determined disposition that the Governor sent back the lorcha's crew, with the substitution of three Chinese in the place of those he had decapitated, but without explanation of any kind. Admiral SEYMOUR, who had by this time arrived, refused to receive the men under such circumstances, and sent them back to the Governor, whose "tender mercies," which are notoriously most "cruel," I presume they have by this time experienced.

The United States sloop-of-war *Portsmouth*, Commander ANDREW H. FOOTE, had been ordered to Whampoa a few days previous to the commencement of these difficulties, in consequence of a rumor that the rebels were descending upon Canton, and in order to protect American interests during their expected invasion. At 3 o'clock on the morning of Wednesday the 22d, Captain FOOTE received a note from our Consul, Mr. PERRY, stating that the English were preparing to attack the city. Accordingly, he fitted out an expedition immediately, and proceeded in command of the force, some seventy-five strong, including seamen and marines, to Canton, in order that Americans might be protected in their persons and property.

By this time almost the whole English naval force in the China sea was concentrated at Canton and Whampoa, with the exception of a frigate and a partially dismantled brig, which remained at Hong Kong, but sent up detachments of their men. On Thursday, as two steamers, with boats in tow, were proceeding from Whampoa up the river, the Chinese commenced hostilities by firing on them. The Admiral at once commenced taking all the forts the whole length of the river, from Canton to the Bocca Tigris, occupying about fifteen minutes, on an average, in the capture of each fort. These were well manned and supplied with numerous guns, many of them of enormous size, but in no case did they return more than a few shots to the fire of the English, and in most instances the soldiers ran away without any attempt at resistance. The English landed, spiked the guns, and in several cases destroyed all that was combustible about the forts by fire, but did not attempt to occupy any except one round fort immediately opposite the Factories, and one known as the "Dutch Folly," which commands the Governor's Palace, and a part of the city, and in which they planted a few thirty-two pounders and one or two mortars.

Meanwhile, at Canton, the foreign residents, European and American, had been making active preparations for defence, and had shipped all their specie and treasure for Whampoa, where it could be under the guns of the large ships which cannot get up the river to this city, or for Macao and Hong Kong. The gates and streets by which communication is had between the Factories, as the foreign establishments are called, and the rest of the city, were closed and barricaded, and all the stores were closed and business everywhere suspended. The Chinese servants, from compradors to coolies, have all returned to their homes, refusing longer to incur the peril of serving the foreign residents, who are left to shift for themselves. All the streets leading to the Factories are commanded by field pieces and by detachments of marines and seamen from the men-of-war. The American forces, under Captain FOOTE, were stationed with their boat-howitzer, a twelve-pounder, at the head of New-China-street, and a file of marines at the American Consulate. The French Consulate being in the immediate neighborhood of New-China-street, as is also the American seat of legation, receives an inadequate protection from our force, which is acknowledged in a very grateful and polite note from the French *Chargé d'Affaires* to Commander FOOTE. The U. S. sloop-of-war *Levant* having come quite unexpectedly from Shanghae to relieve the *Portsmouth*, Capt. SMITH immediately acceded to Capt. FOOTE's request to reinforce him here, and arrived on Tuesday morning with a force of about seventy men. The English accordingly abandoned the defence of New-China-street and its vicinity entirely to our forces.

On Saturday, the 18th, a large party of the "village braves," who are a kind of rustic militia, holding *regular meetings for military exercises*, and whose valor and prowess are held in the highest estimation by the Chinese, made an attack upon Old China-street. They approached simultaneously from two opposite quarters, through two narrow lanes which meet each other at the end of the street. They came brandishing their spears, running somersets, and daring the English to come on. They were warned by Mr. PARKES, the Consul, that if they attempted to advance they would be fired upon; and as their only reply to this announcement was a repetition of their diabolical actions, and a further advance, the platoon of marines at once opened upon them. After the firing of one or two volleys by the English, the "braves" retreated precipitately, leaving two or three dead, and probably taking with them several wounded. The bodies of the dead remained in the street till the next morning, when they were removed by their countrymen. Previous to this attack, which was made in the afternoon, several placards had been posted about the streets stating that the English barbarians are in league with the rebels and opponents of the Government—that they are grasping and covetous in their character, and anxious to get a hold upon Chinese territory; and intimating that they have suffered reverses in late troubles with the Russians, and are anxious to repair their losses by making an attack upon Canton. The placards also call on the Chinese to put no confidence in the professions of the barbarians, but to unite and resist to the death in the protection of their homes and families.

When the alarm of the approach of the "braves" was given, the American forces prepared for battle, the marines fell into line, the word "forward" was given, and everything made ready for an energetic defence of American rights and property. We keep a vigilant guard, and at every alarm the same precautions are taken.

It was not till Monday, the 17th, that the firing upon the city commenced. But at 1 o'clock on that day the steamer *Encounter*, lying right abreast of the Factories, threw her first shell, which went a little beyond the Governor's palace, and followed it up all the afternoon, sending several shells through the roof of the palace, and no doubt doing great execution. At the same time the *Barracouta*, lying further up the river, commenced throwing shell across the city into the fort and encampment of the Chinese troops, situated on a high hill, directly behind the walls. The firing, which had been carried on very leisurely, at intervals of about eight minutes between the shell, ceased at sunset.

On Monday appeared the following proclamation, which was posted about the streets of the city. I am indebted to Rev. J. B. FRENCH, one of the American Missionaries here, for this literal translation of it:

"YEH, Governor-General of the two Kwangs, &c., issues this proclamation. Since the English barbarians have made an attack upon the Provincial City, wounding the troops and the people, in the most ruthless manner, I, as in duty bound, issue this proclamation, that you may all unitedly seize and destroy them. For this purpose I issue my commands to all the troops and people in the Province, shopmen and citizens, that you may duly understand. You must, with united strength and heart, assist the troops and militia. Every English rascal that you see coming on our shore, or on board of the ships, making trouble, you must cause yourselves and others. Every one that is killed in this manner, no matter who, we promise a reward of $30 for each person." (This sentence is somewhat obscure, but seems to include the people of all countries.) "The head must be brought to my office for examination. Do not slight this proclamation. Let every one trembling obey without opposition.

October 27, 1856."

On Tuesday, at 1 o'clock, the firing was resumed from the "Dutch Folly" fort, and directed with the purpose of effecting a breach in the walls of the city. The *Encounter* also continued to drop a shell or shot every five or ten minutes in the neighborhood of the Palace. This firing had been kept up about an hour, when a fire broke out in the vicinity of the Palace, and began to rage with great violence. It caught, undoubtedly, from some of the shot fired, and, though not intentional, did most excellent assistance to the English, by clearing a passage for them from their fort to the walls of the city. A strong wind was blowing at the time; happily it was a north wind, and blew the flame towards the river, otherwise the Factories might have been endangered, although half a mile off. As it was, the English immediately began to destroy the houses in "Hog Lane," and in the rear of the Factories, thereby removing one great danger of the fire's communicating with them. The fire raged till far into the night, when the Chinese, who, by the way, are excellent firemen, got it well under. The firing ceased at sundown, but was resumed with considerable vigor at sunrise the next morning.

During this day (Tuesday,) Mr. PERRY, the United States Consul, received from Governor YEH a polite notification, that up to this time he had refrained from making any systematic resistance to the English on account of his long friendship with them, but that matters had now come to such a pass that he must measure strength with them, and he should, accordingly, begin. He feared, however, that he should no longer be able to protect the property of Americans, and hoped that if any damage should accidentally be done to it, he would hold the English, who, by their obstinacy had occasioned these troubles, responsible. During the day, also, an epistle of an argumentative nature was received, purporting to come from the gentlemen of the city, in which they reviewed the circumstances of the case, and appealed to the foreign residents, as to which party was in the right. HOWQUA, a Chinese gentleman of great wealth, (which has purchased for him the button and peacock's feather of the first rank of mandarins,) and who is highly respected by the foreigners, came into the Factories early in the morning, looking very pale and excited, and wishing to see the Admiral. Sir MICHAEL, however, declined to receive him. I suppose that he came simply as a citizen, and not in his official capacity. What his errand was I have not been able to ascertain.

On Wednesday the firing was renewed early in the morning, and kept up with a good deal of spirit until 2 o'clock P. M., by which time the shot from the forts, with the assistance of yesterday's fire, had made a sufficient breach in the wall, and cleared a way towards the palace, sufficiently to justify the Admiral in landing his forces. The landing party was only 250 strong, and consisted altogether of sailors and marines. They marched rapidly towards the walls, the Admiral himself accompanying them, and planted their flag on the walls of Canton, the first time that a European flag has ever been unfurled in this great city. The honor of planting the flag was the good fortune of Capt. BATE, of the brig *Sidon*, who remained for as much as five minutes entirely unsupported and exposed to a tremendous fire from the Chinese soldiers in the streets and on the tops of houses. The party pushed on, however, part of them clambering through the breach in the wall, and others blowing up the city gate, and entering more easily with their field pieces. They advanced under a severe fire (the more dangerous and galling from its irregularity) from the Chinese on the house tops and in the by-streets,—and themselves returned it with much spirit, and probably with terrible execution, although from the nature of the circumstances, it is impossible to say what the loss on the other side has been. After planting a field-piece before the palace, and battering the walls a few moments, they entered without further opposition, and occupied it for an hour or two, until nearly sunset, when they retreated for the night. As they retired, the Chinese returned, and reopened fire upon them, with some effect. The total loss of seamen and marines is three killed and twelve wounded, four of them perhaps mortally so.

I regret to add that one or two American officials were very unduly conspicuous in accompanying the attacking party, and I must make special mention of our Consul from Hong Kong, General REMAN, who

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE BRITISH COMMODORE AND THE CHINESE—AND AMERICAN [illegible] WHILE GOING THROUGH THE RAGGED PAGODA—CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND THE AMERICAN CONSUL ON THE SUBJECT—RENEWAL OF THE BOMBARDMENT BY THE BRITISH—DESPERATE ATTACK WITH CHINESE JUNKS—APPEARANCE OF THE FRENCH UPON THE SCENE—THE BRITISH ENCOURAGING THE ATTACK ON CANTON—[illegible] TO BLOW UP AN [illegible] AMERICAN FORCE CONCENTRATED AT CANTON—THE MURDERER OF MR. CUNNINGHAM BROUGHT TO JUSTICE—TRADE [illegible]—LATEST DEMANDS OF ADMIRAL SEYMOUR—CAPTURE OF THE ROGUE FORT—PROSPECTS [illegible]

CANTON, China, Thursday, Nov. 13, 1856.

I resume my narrative of the events [illegible] the siege of the city by transcribing the following letter of the Admiral to Governor YEH, in which he defines his position and the terms on which he shall [illegible] fire. A copy of the letter was, when sent to Commander FOOTE, of the American forces, and appears in a postscript on the Commercial Bulletin.

BRITISH CONSULATE, CANTON, Oct. 29, 1856.

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I have the honor to be, &c.,

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YEH, Imperial Commissioner, Governor-General of the Two Kwangs, &c., makes communication [illegible]

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Your Excellency's proposition having reference to the very same question, (as that mooted by Mr. BOWRING,) how can it be said to have no connection with it? And when Mr. BOWRING has said that the question could be no more discussed by him, it is to be inferred that it can less be discussed by your Excellency.

To conclude, our countries have been many years on friendly terms. Without cause, you have in one day come upon us with hostilities, the result of which has been intolerable misery to the people. Let your Excellency ponder well, what is no vain fiction of mine, that hundreds and thousands of them have been for days past clamorously tendering their services, ardent and united, for the defence of the city.

I accordingly reply, availing myself of the occasion, to wish your Excellency prosperity.

HIENG-FUNG, 8th year, 10th moon, 6th day (Nov. 3.)

The closing wish for the Admiral's prosperity His Excellency endeavored to carry out, the same night, by attempting to blow up the Club-house where large numbers of the officers and troops were quartered. A sampan, or Chinese boat, was filled with powder and floated down under one end of the club-house, which projects out over the river, and was there exploded; but the powder was not arranged compactly enough to produce the desired effect, although it produced a great alarm, and officers and men, both Americans and English, turned out with all possible dispatch—especially those whose quarters were over the exploding sampan.

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SIR: I am in receipt of your Excellency's letter of yesterday, referring me to the correspondence between your Excellency's predecessor and Mr. BOWRING, our late Plenipotentiary. The perusal of all that is on record will show you that although, when the Chinese Government declined in 1840 to fulfill the promise given in 1847, of right of entry into Canton, was for the moment waived, it was distinctly informed at the time, and since, that our claim was in no respect abandoned. My demand, however, as I have already told you, is entirely distinct from any former proposition on the subject.

It is needless to restate my reasons for insisting upon it; and I have only to add that, until it is acceded to, I have no alternative but to persist in the course you have compelled me to adopt.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) M. SEYMOUR.

On Tuesday the bombardment was resumed with even greater rapidity than on the previous day. The shells were all thrown within the second wall, and were mostly aimed at some conspicuous public buildings, particularly at one large temple containing a bell of great size. The firing was excellent. On Wednesday the operations were about the same, except that the bombardment was not continued for so long a time.

On Thursday morning, before I was well awake, I was startled by the sound of the most rapid firing, which seemed to come from below the city. It seems that the *Coromandel*, on her way up from Hong Kong the evening previous, had passed a fleet of junks, which had been recently manned and strongly armed, and which seemed to be concentrated for some hostile purpose,—rumor says for the purpose of cooperating with a land force of several thousand soldiers in a combined attack upon the factories. Accordingly the *Barracouta* and the *Coromandel* were sent down early on Thursday morning to capture them. The junks were lying near the French Folly, the only fort between Canton and the Bocca Tigris which the English had not taken. As the steamers approached, the junks opened upon them a most energetic and rapid fire, and must have thrown some thirty or forty shot, or even more, before the steamers were able to return it. And even after the *Barracouta* was able to bring her heavy guns to bear, and the *Coromandel* opened fire, so hotly did the Chinese contest the issue from their junks, from their fort, and from armed parties on shore, that it was an hour and a half before the firing ceased and victory remained with the English. I suppose that during the first half hour alone, there must have been not far from a hundred and fifty guns fired. As soon as was practicable the steamers lowered their boats, eight in number, containing some sixteen guns of small calibre, and succeeded in capturing the fort and all the junks—twenty-three in number. Of these all but one were set on fire and destroyed, and the guns all spiked. The whole number of guns which fell into the hands of the English was upwards of a hundred, said to be all of foreign manufacture.

During this hot action the Chinese displayed more gallantry and fired with more precision and accuracy than I had believed them capable of exhibiting. The rapidity of their firing was, as I have before observed, very great, and must to a certain extent have prevented its accuracy. And, although it must be remembered that their force was undoubtedly several times as great as that of their opponents, and the number of their guns immensely superior, yet their behavior, in the obstinate resistance which they made, is regarded by the English themselves as highly creditable. The *Barracouta* alone has upon her the marks of *ninety* shot, six of them in her smoke-funnel. The *Coromandel* received comparatively little injury. Strange to say, the English loss was only one killed and three wounded. The Chinese loss cannot be ascertained, but I think it will greatly exceed rather than fall short of a hundred. Probably many who jumped overboard from the junks were drowned, besides those who were killed by the shot and shell from the steamers and their boats, and by the musketry. The burning junks continued to send up their flames and dense columns of smoke, with occasional explosions, all the morning.

Among the incidents of the fight was the narrow escape of Captain BATE, whose gallantry during the assault of the 20th ult. I have before noticed. He was standing on board the *Barracouta*, watching the movements of the enemy, when the spy-glass which he was using was knocked out of his hand by a grape-shot from the junks. As *merit* in the English service is recognized and rewarded by Government, I think the gallant Captain may consider his promotion certain.

The same evening forty or fifty men from the French frigate *Virginie* arrived, and relieved the American guard, which had previously been stationed at the French Vice-Consulate. On Friday morning fifty gun Lascars, regular soldiers in the British army in the East Indies, arrived, and were set to work removing the rubbish, &c., from "Hog Lane." I have it also on excellent authority that one of the Generals of TAN FING WANG, the great Rebel leader, came into the city for the purpose of having an interview with the Admiral, but as Sir MICHAEL had gone to Whampoa, he did not see him. Whether this be true or not, there is no doubt that a strong Rebel force is within a short distance of Canton, and that they will seize the opportunity to assist in, or complete the work which the English have begun. The fact, with the rumored visit of one of their Generals to the English Commander-in-Chief, is in the highest degree significant and important.

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The banditti that formerly existed in the interior having been swept away by our officers and soldiers, native and foreign merchants have acquired peace to transact their affairs. What can be so good?

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Without, however, embarrassing ourselves for the moment with this contingency, we should lose no time in carefully considering what the present conjuncture requires at our hands. Nothing is so vain as to conceive any chastisement inflicted on the city of Canton, however severe, will produce any permanently favorable effect on the Government at Pekin. In the first place, should any account of the transaction reach them, it is sure to be so distorted and perverted as entirely to prevent its having the effect on the Celestial mind which we are anxious to produce, and, even if a tolerably true version should by any means reach the Emperor, the news of the attack on Canton, or even the demolition of a principal city, would be regarded with far different feelings by an Asiatic monarch from those

News from Australia.

GOOD RECOIPT—ACT TO RAISE MONEY FOR RAILROAD WORKS—THE BANK OF AUSTRALIA—THE REVENUE OF VICTORIA.

Our advices from Melbourne and England, are to Oct. 11.

The gold escort which arrived on Oct. 11, brought £[illegible] ounces from the various gold fields. The Parliament of New South Wales has passed an act to raise the Treasury, with the advice of the Executive Council, from time to time to raise, by the sale of debentures, secured upon the consolidated revenue fund of the Colony, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding 5 per centum per annum, such sum or sums of money, not exceeding £[illegible], as may be required for carrying on of railway works.

On the 16th of September, the liabilities of the Bank of Australia were £3,161,000; the assets £3,[illegible]. In the week ending Oct. 4, the value of imports at Melbourne was £[illegible]; exports, £[illegible], including [illegible] ounces of gold. Twenty-eight members of the New Assembly had been already elected. The *Argus* believes the elections to be in favor of the Haines Government. The *Herald* holds the opposite opinion. In Sydney, the Cowper Administration seems to have lasted only a fortnight. The Governor refused to dissolve Parliament. Mr. Hay endeavored to form a Government, but in vain. Mr. Watson Parker seems to have been more successful.

The first cattle fair in Victoria had passed off well. The duties on gold exported from Melbourne in the year ended 30th September, 1856, were £381,000. The total customs revenue for the same period reached £[illegible], being an increase of £[illegible] over the year ended 30th September, 1855. The total revenue for the same period, ending 30th September, 1856, was £[illegible]; against £2,[illegible] in the previous year. The total revenue for the quarter ending 30th September, 1856, was £[illegible]; against £[illegible] in the previous year. Wages being high, and the resources of the colony, the deposits in the savings banks were increasing largely. Large auriferous deposits near Maldonstown were reported. Great excitement has been created in Sydney by the announcement of a nugget of gold weighing five hundredweight. It is stated, however, to be merely a mass of quartz with a vein of gold running through it. The revenue of New South Wales for 1857 was estimated at £1,277,000.

[illegible] KANSAS TO ST. LOUIS OVERLAND

A Stage Ride through Missouri.

NO. IV.

JEFFERSON STATION TO CALIFORNIA.

At this point our Vermonter resolved to disembark. He had sold his seat from Booneville to a fellow-passenger, and so contemptible an idea had he gained of our mode of conveyance, that he did not even to retain it even for the two miles remaining, over which he was still entitled to ride (gratuitously.) He preferred a good night's rest at planter Wing's, and a walk in the early morning. So before we left he had hidden us good-bye, hop, leg to reach Jefferson City before we should leave, and at the time of our departure was doubtless sleeping at a rate as rapid as his travel.

We started refreshed and hopeful. We had a good driver and team, and lighted Lamps on the coach—for the first time. Within the first mile we [illegible]. In ascending a slight hill the coach wheels slid into a cavernous rut, from whose depths it seemed impossible to raise them. The ground was frozen hard, and so deep was the seam, that the coach rested at an angle much greater than would have sufficed to overset it, but that the rut itself held the wheels and prevented the capsize. We had not taken our lessons in vain. Believing the coach of its baggage, we made such efficient use of rails and human strength as very soon extricated the vehicle from its situation.

We progressed with various fortune for some seven miles; and then we stopped. We had arrived at the crossing of a river, and had a hill to descend before reaching the level of the bridge. This hill was covered with ice, and our team was "smooth shod!" (By the way, all our teams had shared under the same difficulty; and the one we had on the previous stage contained a horse for which no one would have paid ten dollars—so utterly was it "used up.") What to do was a question. Half an hour was spent in counsel, during which the cold wind seemed to chill us completely through. The horses were finally taken off, and the wheels "rough-locked" with a chain, with the design of letting the coach down by hand. But, one of the horses fell on going down the hill, which discouraged the driver still more; and it was finally resolved that Mr. W. should ride a horse to Booneville to notify the agent, while the driver waited for aid. The remainder of the passengers took "Walker's line" for the same place, where we arrived about 8 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. W. had arrived but a little in advance, and we found him at the stage hotel. He had sent a carriage to assist the agent. Presently he appeared, with stiffened up and with lantern in hand, ready for the job. But his department was edifying to behold. "I have lived a year in Missouri," said he, "and if God will forgive me for it, I never will live here another!"

The most of us found good beds, and I was particularly surprised the next morning at a peremptory summons to get up, as the stage was waiting. I obeyed, of course, and found it to be 8 o'clock. Our coach and baggage had arrived safely during the night; and after a good breakfast, we packed ourselves into a much better vehicle, blessing our stars that we had at last "got shut" of the old one. As we were getting the mail at the Post-Office, who should appear but our Vermonter, his beard white with frost, and his face red with cold. He had already made his ten-mile morning walk.

Our driver was a young Kentuckian of such pleasing countenance and speech as won our confidence at once. He did us justice, and [illegible] the next station in good dinner-time. This was entirely to our satisfaction. The driver had orders to drive us to the next station, [illegible] objected. We interfered, and our Kentuckian is triumph. As we [illegible] we see but our Vermonter! But [illegible] his design of following the telegraph [illegible] the way, and hoped to see us [illegible] City.

[illegible] we now had some [illegible] one place [illegible] a narrow lane, [illegible] a coach safely master. But, [illegible] ours with relief, our driver took [illegible] with a flying leap and in safety. [illegible] of wheel-horse caught both kind feet in horror, cut, and would inevitably have [illegible] and trodden his legs, but for the prompt [illegible] Major A., who was near, and who sprang [illegible] kept him from falling till he could [illegible] from the peril.

While passing some woods, we heard a [illegible], and soon a big, sunny boy met us and [illegible] that one of our number, who had walked [illegible] the day. His description was that [illegible], and he wished us to say to him that he [illegible] twenty-five dollars, at his peril. [illegible] out of hearing while he was visiting on [illegible] of indignant ostler. It seems that a [illegible] W. was, unknown to him, [illegible] had actually got a bullet through his hat. We learned that night that he was the terror of the whole neighborhood, and Mr. W. resolved to [illegible] the [illegible].

We reached the station a little after dark. The company [illegible] proceeding to [illegible] to stay all night rather than travel. The next driver [illegible] and the host made us as comfortable as possible by means of certain extemporized beds on the floor. His situation was remarkable. He had lived twenty-nine years in this place, and still had no better dwelling than an old log-house, and gave no sign of improvement!

We were early awakened by the arrival of another load, which left Kansas City the morning after we did, and had just overtaken us. Among them I found acquaintances; and altogether our party was now tolerably large. Captain R., late first clerk of the *J. H. Converse*, was with the party, going to Pittsburg to contract for the building of a light boat expressly to navigate the Kansas River. He will command her, and entertains no doubt of her success.

Our first achievement, on again starting on our way, was to ford a river; and our first adventure to break the old harness with which our team was clothed. This occasioned an outpouring of some unique and emphatic eloquence from our German driver, (named Freedom,) embracing specimen oaths entirely new to all our company, and one of which was designed to be anything but complimentary to the clergy as a profession. The next important mishap was the smashing of a wheel of the wagon of our new party. Here was a go. The region was wild and thinly inhabited, and wagons rare as the houses. But the road to the next station was said to be fair; so the baggage was put upon our coach, the mail on the horses, and the gentlemen started on foot. Luck favored us; and we arrived at the end of our eight-mile stage in good time for dinner, finding also a coach for the use of our friends.

This place is called California; and if in any way resembling that auriferous State, I beg to be preserved from any acquaintance therewith. The town has age enough—in fact, half the buildings seem in a state of dotage; but it lacks every attribute of prosperity except (strangely enough) an academy. The hotel where we stopped was a very large wooden building, supplied with nothing at all which it should have, that I could discover, save a good stove in the office. (?) The dinner was horrid beyond description. It was not that the viands were plain—*that*, a Western man expects—but the cookery and general "get up" was atrocious beyond description. The very appearance of the hostess, who sat at the head of the table, (a universal custom South,) and the filthy niggers who waited on us, was enough to turn even a hungry man's stomach. One of these latter, apparently of the feminine gender, might be supposed to combine in herself the disagreeable features of half-a-dozen inferior races, so utterly disgusting were all her looks and actions. The fact that her mistress bade her "Go out and *blow her nose*, and then come back and wait on the table," is vouched for by Captain R. I am glad to say I did not hear it.

After dinner, a short political discussion arose in the bar-room, important only as showing that a "Yankee" can now speak his sentiments very freely in Missouri without being threatened with the "hemp." Three months ago, such freedom would have been the climax of rashness.

The King Family—Hon. Rufus King—His Ancestors and his Descendants.

The following private letter, from a gentleman of position and distinction in one of the New-England States to his son in this City, has been handed to us for publication:

Saco, Me., Thursday, Jan. 8, 1857.

My Dear Son: On arriving "Down East" here, I found that the town adjoining where I am sojourning was Old Scarboro', the birthplace of Hon. Rufus King; and knowing your taste for that kind of literature which makes us acquainted with the public and private characters of the truly great men of the country, so entirely harmonized with my own, I felt quite sure I could not interest you more than by giving you a brief history of the distinguished statesman and diplomatist above named, with some notice of other branches of the family.

Richard King, Esq., the father of Rufus, came to Scarboro' from Watertown, Mass., in 1744, then 26 years of age, where, by successful mercantile pursuits, he became wealthy. A writer, in speaking of him in connection with the *History of the town of Scarboro'* published in the 3d vol. of *Collections of the Maine Historical Society*, says: "The result of his efforts evinces great energy and industry; he was also a man of inestimable worth of character. That notwithstanding the care of his large estates and extensive mercantile business, required almost all of his time, he was enabled by good management to enrich a mind of superior natural endowments by a judicious course of reading. In public life he was honored and esteemed, in private life he was loved." * * "To all his good qualities were added the graces of a Christian life; so that we know not how his whole character can be more truthfully described than by styling him a *Christian gentleman*." Such are some of the traits of character ascribed by this writer to Richard King (who you will bear in mind was grandfather to your present Governor.)

Mr. King was twice married; by the first marriage he had one son, Rufus, and two daughters. By the second, three sons and three daughters. The daughters who lived to be married, were respectably connected. Of these, I have no room within my proposed limits to speak, except barely to say that the eldest was married to Hon. Robert Southgate, grandfather of the present Bishop of that name.

Mr. King died March 27, 1775, aged fifty-seven. I had the gratification, a few days since, of making a pilgrimage to the old mansion where he lived and died, and where all his children were born; the eldest, one hundred and one years ago. It is still occupied as a dwelling, and looks even defiant at the assaults of time.

Of the three sons by the second marriage, Richard, Jr., the eldest, occupied the homestead while he lived. William was the first Governor of Maine, Commissioner under the Spanish treaty, &c. Cyrus, the youngest of the family, was an eminent lawyer of this town; where, after a brilliant career at the bar, and of four years in Congress, he died suddenly April 25, 1817, aged 44. He and Webster, who were warm personal and political friends, entered Congress as freshmen, at the same session—1813. Mr. King's speeches ranked among the finest specimens of parliamentary oratory. I well recollect some of their brilliant passages now, after the lapse of more than forty years since I read them. One passage at arms with John Randolph, which convulsed the House with laughter, I will mention; it was in 1815, in the debate on the Bill for increasing the pay of Members of Congress. Randolph had made a speech in favor of the bill, in which he said, in substance, that he had no desire for any increase of pay on his own account, but he was aware that there were many members there from the country, whose circumstances were such that they could not afford to serve for the present pay &c. To which Mr. King, in reply to this part of his speech, said (quoting from recollection) that he thought, by a due observance of the virtue of frugality, the example of which would be quite in consonance with the theory of our Republican institutions, the present compensation would be sufficient; besides, it would insure greater diligence in the performance of their duties, by withholding a motive for eking out their sessions to a needless [illegible] W. Pitt, Chatham. I saw every that gentleman who came here with a coach and six cannot well afford to serve for six dollars a day. I do not mean a coach and six horses, but a coach, and two horses, two negroes, and two dogs—upon which Randolph exclaimed, "just my situation!" Although I could easily fill my sheet, suffice to my own satisfaction at least, by extending my notice of Cyrus King, I will only add that he graduated at Columbia College, in the City of New-York, with the highest honors of the institution, in 1794, commenced the study of law in that City in the office of his brother Rufus, and when the latter was appointed Minister to Great Britain in 1796 he accompanied him as private Secretary.

After remaining a year in England he returned to this State, and completed his studies in the office of the late Judge Mellen, of Biddeford, and commenced the practice in this town in the year 1797. In the History of Saco, published several years ago, the writer, in speaking of some of its principal inhabitants then deceased, describes Mr. King as "possessing brilliant and highly-cultivated powers of mind, united with habits of patient and zealous application, by which he soon rose to eminence in the profession. As an advocate he was unrivaled; his style of speaking was elevated and commanding, rich in the higher graces of polished oratory, and at the same time argumentative and convincing. His speeches on the floor of Congress, it is almost unnecessary to say, were not unworthy the high reputation he enjoyed at the bar." Mr. King held the office of Major-General of the Militia at the time of his death, to which office he was appointed during the War with England. Thus much for the youngest of this family, I proceed to some notice of the eldest, to whom I intended to devote most of this letter.

Hon. Rufus King was born in 1755, graduated at *Harvard College* 1777, *studied* law at Newburyport in the office of Chief Justice Parsons, became *a member of the Continental Congress* in 1784. In 1785, he introduced the celebrated ordinance *prohibiting forever the introduction* of Slavery into the Northwestern Territory, which failed of passing at this time, by one vote only. Two years after, the same propolition, reported by his colleague Nathan Dane, from the Committee appointed to present a code of laws for the government of that Territory, was adopted by a unanimous vote. There has been much dispute as to whom the paternity of this important measure, of right belonged. It has been claimed by some for Mr. Jefferson, but certainly with no good reason. His proposition, introduced the year before Mr. King's, was to prohibit the introduction of slaves into the Territory after the year 1800; of course, permitting settlers to go there with their slaves for sixteen years. Mr. King's proposition was to take effect from its passage. It is doubtless fortunate for the cause of liberty in that vast and flourishing region of our country, that Mr. Jefferson's prospective project failed as it did. For many years Congress was beset with petitions to remove this injunction after it had been enacted under the Constitution. That the credit of first presenting that important and timely measure, in the form in which it finally passed, is due to Rufus King, is proven by the record.

We next find him a member of the Convention which framed the Constitution of the United States; which was adopted the 17th of September, 1787, and to which his name is appended as a delegate from Massachusetts.

Mr. King was four times elected to the Senate of the United States from the State of New-York. The first time was in 1789, which was the first Senate under the Constitution. This appointment to the Senate, by the State of New-York, was, under the circumstances, an act of signal honor; for we have already seen that less than two years before he was a citizen of Massachusetts, and a delegate from that State to the Convention, &c.; so that widely known as he was to fame, he was but a stranger as to residence in New-York when that State first conferred this appointment upon him. He was reelected in 1795, and in 1796 was appointed, by President Washington, Minister to Great Britain, which mission he filled for several years with great credit to himself and honor to his country. His correspondence with the British Government, upon the important and delicate questions pending between the two countries at that day, evince diplomatic talents of the highest order.

His third and fourth elections to the Senate, were in 1813 and 1820. Of that body he was as confessedly the head, as was Daniel Webster at a later period. Of his unrivaled powers in debate, the best idea I can give you is by quoting a passage from a private letter from Mr. Webster, then a member of the House, dated at Washington in 1814, in which he incidentally alluded to Mr. King in connection with a subject under debate, in the following terms:

"Mr. King came out for the first time. You never heard such a speaker. In strength and dignity, and fire; in ease, in natural effect and gesture, as well as in matter, he is unequaled. He did not make a set speech and did not expect to speak at all."

The mission to England was again conferred on Mr. King, by President Adams, in 1826, thirty years, as you will perceive, after his first appointment by President Washington. After remaining for a time he resigned on account of failing health, returned home and died April 29, 1829, aged seventy-four. Hon. John A. King, your present Governor, was Secretary of Legation during the last mission of his father, and afterwards I think Chargé d'Affaires at that Court.

I have alluded only to the principal public positions which Mr. King filled, for an almost unbroken period of about forty-five years, upon all of which he left the impress of surpassing greatness.

In his personal appearance, while a member of the Constitutional Convention of New-York in 1821, as now recollected by me, he was well formed, of medium height, rather robust but not corpulent, perfectly erect, eyes black, sharp, and exceedingly pleasant and animated while in conversation. He wore spectacles. Whenever there was a recess, and at other times, I noticed that groups would eagerly gather around him, to engage him in conversation, or to manifest some token of respect, which was unmistakably felt for him; seeming to regard him as the central point of attraction among the members, although that Convention, I doubt not, embraced the ablest body of men, citizens of the State, ever assembled within its limits. He was then sixty-six.

Mr. King had four sons—two only survive: the present Governor, and Charles King, LL. D., President of Columbia College. The Governor and the late Hon. James G. King were, as you know, members of Congress at the same time. But I need not, and did not intend, to speak of the sons of Rufus King. "There they are, behold them." There was one, however, whom you did not know—General Edward King, who went to the State of Ohio several years ago, married a daughter of Governor Worthington, became a distinguished lawyer, was several years a member of the Legislature and Speaker of the House. He died in 1836. From what little I know of his history, I doubt not that he, too, was a worthy son of an honored sire.

Your affectionate father, A. G. D.

Quarantine Matters.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

I see in the papers a communication dated Dec. 15, 1856, from Gov. Price of New-Jersey, to the Governor of this State, complaining that "infected vessels had been sent by the Health Officers of New-York, from an anchorage at your [our] Quarantine station, to an anchorage in the waters of this [that] State, in the vicinity of Southwest Spit," during August last.

Gov. Price regards and complains of it as a "violation of the agreement existing between the States of New-York and New-Jersey as to limit, boundary and jurisdiction."

He is mistaken. It was not a violation of such convention, which was made in 1833. By it, on the contrary, New-York has *exclusive* jurisdiction over the waters at Sandy Hook, and, indeed, of the entire Bay, except portions of Raritan Bay and Staten Island Sound, which are specially excepted. We have the right to use and occupy the whole of the lower bay, to *fore-water mark* on the Jersey shore, with "infected vessels" or for any purpose.

Allow me to refer Gov. Price and your readers to the Convention in question, Art. 3, Rev. Stat. of New-York, 176, (2d ed.) Yours &c., D.

New-York, Monday, Jan. 19, 1857.

Agriculture in Kentucky.

The State Agricultural Society of Kentucky, at its late annual meeting in Frankfort, adopted a resolution requesting the respective County Agricultural and Mechanical Societies in the State to cause to be delivered, at each of their fairs in the ensuing year, a public address in favor of Legislative aid to Agriculture, and especially in aid of the Kentucky State Agricultural Society.

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From the London Times.

There are attributes of national as of individual character. Given, probably, in some cases as happiness, sometimes, natural to achievement of enterprise, they are accepted by the world, and cherished by the people on whom they have been bestowed. These, in general parlance, we have learnt to speak of French vivacity, of Spanish gravity, and of Dutch phlegm. These characteristics continue to be attributed long after the circumstances, social or political, which gave rise to them have been changed.

There are some qualities, indeed, the repute of which it is desirable for a nation never to lose. They are above all price of acquisition, while their tangible value in the markets of the world cannot be doubted. It would be a loss for which no gain could be an equivalent, were a people to forfeit its reputation for courage in the field—for patriotism—for love of freedom. But, as such virtues as these are the most essential for the preservation of national existence, so are they, providentially, the most common. There are others which, though less common, and less indispensable for the positive independence of any country, are at the same time more necessary for the honor of its people, and of which the decay would be tantamount to national degradation. Englishmen have long prided themselves upon their recognized character for honor and truth. It has been their pride to compare their own stanch frankness with the polished submissiveness of Southern Europe or the supple falsehood of the remoter East. It has been at once the reproach and the boast of their diplomacy that it would not lie to serve a turn or gain an advantage; and that whenever it overreached a rival, it overreached him by plain-spoken truth alone. It has been the traditionary glory of our commerce that to the ends of the globe, our merchants' words were as good as other merchants' formal bonds. It was surely no slight thing to enjoy such a character, and it would be no slight privation to lose it. But it may not be unseasonable to inquire—is that character quite so safe as it once was?

There is no man, whether engaged in business or a profession, who can help feeling that recent occurrences throw a stain on the morality of our age. Go no further back than the year now drawing to a close, and what do we see? Breaches of trust the most flagrant; embezzlements and frauds the most iniquitous and most ruinous. But this is not all, neither is it the worst part of the case. There have been dishonest men—forgers and embezzlers—in all ages and in all countries, just as there have been burglars and footpads. In a people generally honest there will always be some men who are rogues, as in a people generally brave there will be some men destitute of courage. But, so long as the social tone is healthy, the exceptional rogues will be punished and the exceptional cowards despised. The grave and serious evil is when public censure or public contempt falls lightly on the craven and the rogue; more serious still when the habits of society provoke, or seem to provoke, the very crimes which it should condemn; when collusion is disguised in the mask of charity, and grants to the rich and the educated the pardon which it withholds from the poor and ignorant.

The past year has, indeed, been fertile in enormities which are incompatible with a general and earnest love of mercantile integrity;—a great banker, a man of family, education, and social influence, purloining securities intrusted to his care; a great city firm making advances in order to prop up a rotten and fraudulent imposture; clerks forging certificates to the extent of thousands of pounds; and then two joint-stock banks pillaging alike their depositor and their contributories to further the speculations of their directors and their functionaries. The year which has witnessed the malversation of Paul and Strahan, the frauds of Sadleir, Davidson, Windle Cole, and Co., the robberies of Robson, and the explosion of the Tipperary and British Banks, is more eloquent on the state of our social morality than any elaborate theme can be.

Bad as the naked truth is, there is worse behind. Detection does not constitute guilt. How many persons must have been—or, at least, might have made themselves—cognizant of the iniquities at work long ere the explosion took place? Will any one tell us that Robson's frauds could not have been suspected and nipped in the very germ? How many men—respectable men—in the city were privy to the misdeeds of Davidson and Gordon? And how many were participators in that monstrous swindle, the concoction of the Royal British Bank, and the dissipation of its funds?

This last case is so much the more flagrant than the rest, inasmuch as the guilty conspiracy of several men indicates a lower tone of morality than the scheme, however bad, of one or two men. A man may plot some infamy in the solitude of his own house, and be scouted as a monster when the contrivance bursts upon the world. But a score or two of men combining to pervert the opportunities of their education and position to the ruin of some thousands of people, meeting day after day and week after week to authorize first of all a public deception, and then a series of private robberies, in the heart of London, in the daily gaze of hundreds of respectable citizens, without opposition or remonstrance—this is a thing far more painful, far more pernicious, than the delusion of any number of subscribers or the losses of any number of depositors. Luckily, for future warning, a history of this rascality has been given to the world by one who was behind the scenes. And what scenes there must have been in Great James-street and Threadneedle-street!—the needy M. P. touting for subscribers, then introducing his canny *protégé* from the Highlands, then both launching the bank on the world with religious ceremonies and a delusive capital of borrowed money, and within six years dispersing upwards of £100,000 between themselves and their favorite directors! Of these last, two were legislators and magistrates, and others men of business—not, indeed, of note, but not of greater obscurity than many hundreds now engaged in commerce. There is no special reason for supposing that they were much worse men than others who have not attained so evil a notoriety. The manager was a man who had many clients and many agencies; who lived not only with external decorum, but with something like sanctity. And all these people met one another week after week, met other city men of less importance, were on terms of friendship with them, yet they were allowed to proceed without opposition in a career which was patent to all conversant with the banking transactions of London, and without a reproach on manœuvres which cannot have been concealed! As in another case we have cited, the most unscrupulous of the set continued his ostentatious performance of religious duties, his attention to religious societies, and all the Pharisaical observances which disgust one-half and delude the other half of mankind. And perhaps, too, in a few years, when the memory of disclosures now recent has passed away, many of these architects of ruin will return unquestioned and unopposed to vary their contrivance of new schemes of plunder by presiding at religious and charitable meetings, and to enjoy the combined advantages of thoroughly "respectable" and thoroughly dishonest men.

It is idle to moralize on these things. They are lamentable, deplorable, humiliating. They are fraught with national disgrace no less than private ruin. But it may not be useless to inquire whether society is not in some degree responsible for the crimes from which it suffers. Is not every class infected with a morbid appetite for the glitter and show of opulence? Do not people dress, dine, entertain, and furnish their houses in a style far beyond their present and probable means? Are not dozens of *parvenus financiers* at this moment teaching their boys at home for the holidays that the great virtue of his life is "to get on,"—*si possis, recte*, but *quocunque modo* to get on? Does not Robinson propose to the tender scion of his house the example of young Brown, already "doing" shares on his own account and keeping a horse on the profits? Are there not hundreds of middle-class families who have learnt to sneer with vulgar contempt at the simplicity which becomes a modest fortune? Is there not among almost all classes a craven abhorrence of poverty, and a shame at acknowledging it? And, when people compute fortunes, is not society too ready to palliate and even pity them as misfortunes? While these things are so we must be prepared to find some "respectable" men forging certificates, embezzling trusts, and lending other people's money to each other. And when such things are done without punishment, and almost without reproach, can we feel nothing but mingled surprise at the confession of his "betters" which prompts the small dealer to sell us sand with our sugar and redlead with our cayenne,—to say nothing of the justification which may be pleaded for a rougher and ruder, but not essentially more guilty, class of criminals?

The removal of Victoria College (Canada) from Coburg to Hamilton seems to be determined on, notice is given that application will be made during the next session of the Legislature for authority to effect the change.

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Sunday was by far the coldest day of the season.

The thermometer at 8 o'clock, in various places in the city, ranged from 17 to 21 degrees below zero.

Throughout the day high winds prevailed, and but little variation was noticed in the tour of the thermometer until after nightfall, when it marked 9 degrees below zero. It continued until 10 o'clock, when a snow-storm set in which continued throughout the night, and this morning it was knee-deep in our streets.

Heavy drifts are reported in every direction, blocking roads and cutting off all communication with the city.

A German was, yesterday, picked up on Bethlehem Road by Mr. Burnham, almost frozen to death. He was accompanied by his wife, who had called for assistance until she could call no more. Both were poorly clad, and he was almost helpless. They were cared for.

Those who had comfortable homes, kept within doors yesterday, and those who were not compelled to be about to-day, did not leave their homes.

The *Evening Journal* office presented an Arctic scene when we reached it this morning. The intense cold of yesterday (21 below zero) had frozen the water in the steam-pipes; the presses could not budge with the stiffened ink; the heating-tubes were cold as a stone; the windows, completely covered by frost and snow, excluded the light, and the compositors, with hats and overcoats on, were slowly sticking the icy type by gas-light. Nor were the editorial rooms in better condition—no mails from anywhere, congealed ink, frosty pens and scissors—rendering the work of making up the paper one of some difficulty. We have gradually thawed out, however, sufficiently to get to press at our usual hour; with no further mishap than filling the building with steam, in consequence of a pipe having burst in freezing.

Drifts lie along our streets, of all sizes, from two to eight feet deep, while in other spots the pavements are swept as bare as a floor. Men and boys, armed with brooms and shovels, have waged an unequal warfare all day with the drifting snow.

The snow has drifted to such an extent upon the lines of railroads as to almost make them impassable.

Two trains left for the West, but not on time. The first was two hours and a half reaching Schenectady—equal to six miles an hour.

Up to 1 o'clock no train had left for New-York upon the Hudson River Road, and no attempts would be made to run one until the road is cleared.

The train for Springfield left about 10 o'clock, but its progress was slow over the hills. It will take some time to get these roads in running order, for to-day as fast as men clear off one portion of the track the other is clogged up. The storm has doubtless extended South, and if it has been in New York anything like what it has been here, the train will not be up until a late hour, if at all, to-day.

The snow drifts on the Troy and East Albany Railroad are from 5 to 18 feet deep. The 9½ o'clock passenger train from Troy, with two locomotives, at 11 o'clock, was fast in the snow a mile above Bath. Three locomotives were sent to their relief. Two of these got moved in, and the other returned for three more. There were fifty men with shovels endeavoring to extricate them. Should the relief locomotives be as unfortunate as the two already blocked in, there will be seven locomotives upon the track.

From the Journal of Tuesday.

The storm which set in Sunday night, continued with unabated fury throughout the entire day yesterday, and spent its power some time last night. This morning the sun shone forth in all its splendor, the wind lulled, thus exhibiting a beautiful contrast with the wildness of yesterday. Many a pedestrian who was compelled to face the keen winds yesterday, last night suffered either from a frost-bitten ear, nose, face, hands or feet, and many a poor being narrowly escaped death. Upon the Hill streets, and on the Western Turnpike, there are snow-drifts varying from six to ten feet in height; and on the Cherry Valley road, the fences along it are buried up. There were no trains run on the Hudson and Northern Railroads, and but few on the Central and Boston roads.

The five Locomotives which were snowed in a mile above Bath, remained there all night, but they will probably be got out during the course of the day.

The 4½ train from this city, this morning, for the West, was still at Schenectady at 11 o'clock, being detained by snow drifts.

Mr. Bleecker, the Superintendent of the Hudson River Railroad, has been very active all the morning in endeavoring to get his portion of the road in running order, and a train for New-York will probably be sent between 12 and 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Narrow Escape from Freezing.—On Monday, two engineers upon the Fitchburg Railroad, named James Allen and Joseph Abbott, had a narrow escape from freezing to death. They were in the vicinity of East Lexington with their locomotives, which were hard and fast in a snow bank. The men worked to start the locomotives through the snow, and consequently became very cold. Mr. Allen stepped off from his locomotive to arrange a water-pipe which connects from the tender to the boiler, when he became so benumbed that he fell on the snow, and the water ran over him, he being unable to help himself. Another engineer, named Conway Fenton, seeing him lying on the snow, poised him up, and gave him a good shaking, which did not, however, fully arouse him, and finding that the prospects of getting out of the drift were very slim they took Mr. Allen and proceeded to the East Lexington Depot, where they broke in, built a fire, and restored him to consciousness. Mr. Abbott was also benumbed from cold, and had it not been for Mr. Fenton both would have been in danger of freezing to death.

Perilous Passage of a Steam-boat Crafte.—The Boston *Post* says: During the gale of Sunday evening a Boston lightering vessel, having six men on board, was at anchor off Hospital. Suddenly the anchor parted, and the vessel, under the dense darkness, drove before the storm. Close on board lying, not anchored, the tug, after four hours of anxiety, the vessel, with a terrible shock, struck the ice at Long Island Head, and remained. The crew scrambled on shore, and obtained some refreshments of the lighthouse keeper. They then started to walk [illegible]

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Capt. Francis N. Bordon in a New Character.

Interesting Developments.

The Louisville Democrat publishes a letter from one W. L. Jenkins, exposing the pretensions of Capt. Francis N. Bordon, who lectured in this City not long ago, on "Mexico and her People." According to this statement by Mr. Jenkins, the Captain has been in the habit of writing letters [illegible] himself, purporting to be from [illegible], and occasionally passes himself off as the son or relative of eminent American or European statesmen. Dr. Jenkins narrates the circumstances of his first interview with the Captain:

"All these facts were elicited in the [illegible] of his conduct and character before the Alcalde of Acapulco, Mexico, as prosecuted by Col. McLane upon its being ascertained that said Col. Bordon had taken out passports for a Mexican peon, as exhibited in the accompanying letters. The steamer [illegible] Capt. Burns, had anchored to take in [illegible] of visions, and the returning Californians, among [illegible] were myself, Wm. Grey, (brother of Jas. [illegible] this State, Dr. Josiah Gregg, of Gallatin, Tenn., and several from Missouri and Virginia, went ashore for recreation and amusement. [illegible] Mr. Bordon, a fine looking fellow, left arm off about midway its upper half (bonneted), approached us and asked us if there were any Kentuckians in the crowd or on board the vessel, the answer was, 'Dr. Jenkins and Grey are from Kentucky, and are now returning home.' He then took me aside and showed me the inclosed letter from Henry Clay, and requested me to be the bearer of a peon to him, which I agreed to do, and paid out of my own pocket $60 to procure a passport, he averring his poverty such as not to permit him to do it himself.

The arrangement was made, and I spoke to the captain (Burns) for passage to Panama for the boy, for $150, which I was to pay; and when the packet left New-Orleans, via Havana, from Chagres, my $150 with the full expectation every dollar would be refunded by the house of Drew, Rennie & Co., New-Orleans, as soon as my charge was placed into their hands, as the friend and agent of Hon. Mr. Clay. Never was there a thing so strictly done, and such apparent honesty of intention and disinterested good will toward a great man, with so little circumstance of the preliminaries."

The letters referred to are as follows:

Lexington, June 3, 1856.

Captain Francis N. Bordon—*Dear Sir*: [illegible] close of the war between our country and the Republic of Mexico, I have had a strong desire of obtaining from the Pacific Coast a Mexican negro; and several individuals from California have promised me you highly as a person capable of sending me one. I have taken the liberty of writing to you, to request you to inform myself of the possibility of obtaining, or procuring and sending him to my plantation in Lexington. If you can find one about 16 years of age, and forward him to the above-mentioned point, I will pay all expenses, and, at the same time, reward you handsomely for your trouble and kindness. If you should happen to meet any native Kentuckian bound home from San Francisco, but be sure that he is a person of confidence, for it is of great importance to keep silence on the subject; send him by the next steamer if you can, and regulate the method of his conveyance in such a way that no living person will suspect the least.

Let the negro embark as a servant to the person whom who (you) choose as his conductor to New-Orleans, who will deliver his charge into the hands of Mr. Charles B. Drew, one of the firm of Drew, Rennie & Co., St. Charles-street, New-Orleans, who will receive and pay all expenses.

Let the individual who conducts the negro from the place in which he receives him, bring the same as a proof of his conduction, with a letter from you to Mr. Drew, and another to myself, informing me of the possibility of transporting peons from Mexico to California.

The greatest silence will be observed on your part, and also on the part of the individual who brings the charge.

Send me, if you can, some of the latest papers from the city of Mexico. Yours, truly,

HENRY CLAY.

To Capt. Francis N. Bordon, Acapulco, Mexico.

Agaepulco, July 14, 1856.

Mr. Henry Clay: *Dear Sir*: I received your letter dated June 2, (ult.,) brought by Lieut. James Saterwin. I have, as you see, done as you requested in your letter, and send him by Dr. W. L. Jenkins from San Francisco, California, per steamship *California*, Capt. Burns.

The Mexican that I send is about 16 years of age, and of good family, though very poor; and I hope that all care will be taken to make him comfortable and happy in the community. Dr. Jenkins and myself have defrayed the expenses of his embarkation, between us, which are about $[illegible]; the costs of his passport and passage; but my circumstances were better I would pay it all; but I am extremely poor at present, having no pay from the Mexican Government, on account of being a Santa Ana man; but better days are coming.

You speak of the possibility of transporting peons from this country to California. The possibility is good, and I think it a very charitable act; for it would take much misery from the heads of this poor people, and open their eyes to information and the world, and at the same time make them useful.

I do not send you any papers from the city of Mexico, for at present I have none in my power; but by the next steamer you may expect some without fail.

On account of the trouble and expense that to Dr. Jenkins for the conduction of the boy, I think that about $[illegible] will gratify him for his trouble, which you will do the favor to pay him; and do me the favor of gratifying me, for I am much pleased to serve you in any way I can.

I inclose your letter, as you gave me liberty to do in this, in order to prove the arrival of your letter, and the Doctor will keep an account of his expenses on the way, in order that Mr. Charles B. Drew may cover them and forward the boy direct to your plantation, in Lexington, Ky. I will write you by the next steamer, giving you an account of all things of importance in this part of the world.

Truly yours, FRANCIS N. BORDON.

Acapulco, July 15, 1856.

Mr. Charles B. Drew: The bearer of this [illegible] Dr. W. L. Jenkins, from San Francisco, [illegible] the bearer of the Mexican black which Hon. Henry Clay wished me to send him; and, as you have received orders to take him in charge from the hands of Dr. Jenkins, you will pay all expenses which he may incur in his transportation from this place to New-Orleans. He will keep a strict account of his expenditures, which you have received instructions to meet at the moment you received him in your charge.

The letter I send to Mr. Clay is open, having sealed it, but afterwards opened it to inclose to you it to you. Yours truly, FRANCIS N. BORDON.

The Missouri Legislature—Proceedings to [illegible]

The Missouri Legislature is in a quandary. The members are being martyred at Jefferson City, the seat of Government. The cars stop there, and [illegible] them had coffee, brown bread, [illegible] make them sleep in dirty [illegible] "Bad" men there are, in the passenger [illegible] kick them about in a most unceremonious manner. They are both starved and frozen. [illegible] persisting in running with water which [illegible] like a sugar tree in Spring. But human nature is about to relent—that is, [illegible] are heading on their way to St. Louis. [illegible] however, the big bear of "Black Republicanism" with its Illinois to view. Leave to go home [illegible] "Border Ruffians" out of their wits. But they have no choice—they must either have "bad coffee and tainted pork," or [illegible] Iowa!—we pity them.

Value of Philadelphia Property.—The [illegible]

Philadelphia *Ledger*, calling attention to the fact that Chestnut-street, between Second and Fifth, has [illegible] almost entirely rebuilt within the last seven years, [illegible] show an increase of [illegible] in that property of $[illegible]. In 1850, the rental obtained from the properties, then [illegible] was $46,[illegible], while the rental of the present year shows an aggregate of $[illegible], being an increase of $[illegible], or more than treble the income of 1850.

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[illegible] from China—Full Details of the Recent Troubles at Canton.

Letters from our special correspondent at Canton have put us in possession of much more [illegible] concerning the recent bombardment of that city by the British fleet, than are to be found in any of the London journals. The Times is the only London paper which has any correspondence from China upon this subject, and its latest dates are from Hong Kong, Nov. 28, while our letters are from Canton to the same date. In regard to the action of the American force upon that station, they correct important errors in the first accounts received by Telegraph. In those accounts it was stated that the United States frigate *Portsmouth* had fired upon and taken one of the forts that defended Canton, and this action was supposed to be in punishment of the Chinese for the murder of Mr. CUSHINGMAN. Our correspondent, however, writes that the murderer of Mr. CUSHINGMAN has been discovered and was to be immediately executed, and that all differences growing out of this subject had been amicably adjusted. The American ships-of-war had aided in protecting the persons and property of American citizens, and the *Portsmouth* had once returned a fire that was directed against her, whether by design or accident does not appear, from the Chinese fort. With this exception she has taken no part in the affair,—though it is alleged that a number of Americans did join the British force in storming the place, and played a conspicuous part in the assault. This was strongly protested against by the resident Americans as an unjustifiable violation of our neutrality.

It is clear, from the *aspect of affairs*, that the Americans are quite certain to suffer from the hostilities that were still in progress at the latest dates. The Chinese cannot or will not discriminate between English and Americans, and will be very likely to assail the persons and property of both without distinction. Indeed, the tone of the Chinese Governor's reply to representations on this subject from the Americans, does not encourage the hope that they will escape serious loss, or even more direct implication in the war. Instead of expressing any regret for the unwarrantable attacks upon Americans that had already been made, he coolly says it is not possible for the ignorant people to draw any nice distinctions between them and the English, and advises them, as the best means of safety, *to leave the city altogether*. Under such circumstances, it is easy to see that our commerce at Canton must for the time be entirely suspended.

The causes of the British attack are clearly stated in the accounts by this mail. It seems that the Chinese authorities seized twelve Chinese criminals on board a British vessel called the *Arrow*—that when called on to return them, they sent them back, but without any apology or explanation. The treaty of 1842 expressly provides that suspected criminals shall not be seized from British vessels, but demanded from the nearest Consul. But the Chinese, in reply to the remonstrances and demands of the British Consul, denied that the *Arrow* was a British vessel,—affirming that she was built by Chinese, owned by Chinese and manned by Chinese, and that her Captain falsely pretended that she was registered as a British vessel, only to evade the scrutiny of the authorities. It was then alleged by the British Consul that the seizure was made while the British flag was flying. This the Chinese peremptorily denied,—declaring that no flag was exhibited at the time. The Consul's demand for the return of the persons seized was however complied with, as already stated, but he required a letter of apology and assurance that such an occurrence should not happen again. Of this demand no notice was taken; and the Consul hands the matter over to Admiral SEYMOUR, who requests an interview, which, in conformity to orders, the Governor declines. Thereupon the Admiral proceeded to a bombardment of the city, which had already resulted in a fearful loss of life and was still in progress at the departure of the mail. It is not quite clear, therefore, that the British were *in the right*; and it is very evident that the alleged offence, even if it were actually committed, is sadly inadequate to the penalty with which it has been visited.

The consequences of this proceeding are likely to be of the utmost importance. The London Times takes the ground that the outbreak *abrogates the existing treaty, and leaves* England free to shape her future relations with the Chinese Empire as she pleases. It will be her own fault, therefore, it is added, if she fails this time to obtain such a treaty as shall be entirely satisfactory. The principal danger which the *Times* foresees is, that, in the process of inflicting punishment upon China, the Empire may be wholly subverted. The reigning dynasty is already tottering to its fall, and the rebels are hovering upon the Southern border, eagerly watching the progress of the English war. In any future treaty, it is urged, Great Britain should be content with nothing less than the admission of a resident Minister at Pekin, dwelling there in all honor and safety, and having access at suitable times to the presence of the Emperor.

We think it not at all unlikely that the present opportunity will be seized to secure these advantages and to force the Chinese Empire into the family of nations. Sooner or later this must come. The increase of commerce and of intercourse with China will render it impossible that she should forever persist in the policy of absolute isolation. We trust this the attention of our own Government will be earnestly directed to the subject, and that steps will be taken to secure for the United States an equality in whatever rights and privileges may be secured.

Days of Grace.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature of New-York, which declares that days of grace shall not be allowed on bills of exchange and drafts payable at sight, nor upon drafts payable at a subsequent day, if drawn upon a bank or banker.

The principle on which this bill is founded is correct, but the bill itself is too limited in its character. It provides only for sight bills. But why should this, or any other particular class of commercial paper, be declared exempt from the fiction of grace, while other classes are favored with it? If days of grace are to be cut off from drafts and exchanges payable at sight, why not cut them off from time drafts, from promissory notes, and from every description of mercantile paper? There is no reason why any promise to pay *to-day*, shall not mean what it says, instead of being interpreted as a promise to pay three days hence. And a law that shall sweep away all this absurd interpretation of commercial promises, will prove a public blessing.

This custom of granting days of grace upon certain promises to pay money is no longer required by the interests of trade or commerce. In the early days of business—when our banking facilities were unknown, and credits were rare, and bills and notes were few—these days of grace, or gratuitous extensions of the time at which promised payments were due, were allowed as a favor, and often rendered necessary by circumstances. It sometimes happened that the holder of a draft or bill of exchange was prevented by unavoidable accidents, or by the force of the elements, from presenting it. For his benefit days of grace were granted by custom, and afterwards they were also granted to the acceptor. Yet, every honorable merchant of the olden time considered that both his character and credit demanded the prompt payment of his notes and acceptances, on the very day promised, without taking advantage of these days of grace, or favor. These things happened in the infancy of our commerce. And though our commercial circumstances have greatly improved, the custom of those days has been continued, until our Courts have recognized and enforced the days of grace as a part of the original contract made by commercial paper; so, what was once only a friendly favor has at last become a legal right, which it is now time to abolish forever in every State of the Union.

Aside from the unreasonableness of this old custom—the perplexities in which it constantly envelops commercial paper cause great trouble to business men, and form a common source of lawsuits. There is no general uniformity in the application of days of grace, in the various States; and even in this City the custom of our banks varies—some allowing and others refusing grace upon certain classes of paper. In Vermont and Connecticut, days of grace are *not allowed* by law on bills payable at sight; while they are allowed by law in Maine, New-Hampshire, Massachusetts, Ohio, Wisconsin, North Carolina and South Carolina. *Days of* grace on sight-bills are allowed by *usage*, not ratified by law, in Indiana, Kentucky, Alabama and Texas; while, on the other *hand*, the days of grace on these bills are *not* allowed, by usage, in Rhode Island, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. But, as this custom has not been confirmed as law by any legal decisions in these States, days of grace may be claimed in any of them with as much justice as they are now refused. In this state of things, the necessity of a legal intervention, abolishing the whole system of grace, is very apparent.

In foreign countries this custom varies more widely than here, especially in regard to the number of days constituting a grace. While in this country and in England three days are allowed, the old law of Hamburg, enacted in 1711, allows twelve days of grace, counting the day when the bill fell due as one. This law declares: "If a bill of exchange falls due, the holder is at liberty to protest within the days of discretion, or to wait till the twelfth day"—a provision which may be equivalent to no grace at all. In Portugal fifteen days of grace are allowed on inland, and six days on foreign, bills; while in Spain fourteen days are allowed on inland, and eight days on foreign, bills. In France ten days of grace were formerly allowed, but the Code of Napoleon swept away this custom entirely, and now no grace is allowed there on any commercial paper. Since 1849 a new and uniform code of laws, on this subject, has been enacted in Germany, Austria, and Prussia. Some of the provisions of this code ought to become a universal law of commerce. They declare that, if a day is specified, on the bill of exchange, as the day of payment, the bill becomes due on this day. *A bill at sight is due when it is presented. If* a bill is payable a certain number of days after sight, or after date, the bill falls due on the last *day of the prescribed period*, exclusive of the day on which it has been drawn or accepted. Days of grace are not *allowed*. *If a bill falls* due on Sunday, or a general holiday, the next secular day is the day for payment. The same *laws apply to promissory notes.*

Should the Legislature of New-York enact a law of this character, other States would be *likely to follow her example; and we should* soon have, throughout the country, a sensible and uniform code of laws governing our commercial paper. The Empire State, the metropolis of American commerce, owes it to herself and to the commercial world, to take the lead in this matter; and we hope that the bill now before our Legislature will not be allowed to pass into a law until it declares that ALL drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and acceptances shall no longer be hampered by the absurdities of "grace."

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR.—It is very odd that in all the glorifications which have grown out of the return of the Arctic discovery ship *Resolute*, the real hero of the affair has never been alluded to. Capt. BUDDINGTON, the gallant sailor who found the deserted ship *Adrift in the Arctic Sea*, and brought her home so bravely, has not been mentioned; and all the honors have been heaped upon the officers who navigated her across the Atlantic after she had been well repaired by our Government. Capt. BUDDINGTON was *certainly entitled to a compliment*, but nobody has thought it worth while to say to him, "I thank you sir."

We believe it was the public's good-natured [illegible]

[illegible] Government [illegible] was certainly a most fortunate event, and all parties connected with it should be duly remembered.

The New British Minister to Washington.

It was rumored some months since that among the men spoken of as likely to be sent to Washington by the British Government was Lord NAPIER, who was Secretary to the British Legation at Constantinople: and it is now stated by the Manchester *Guardian* that he is actually to be sent.

We learn from another quarter that the announcement of the appointment will at once be made. As the present British Ambassador at Constantinople, Lord STRATFORD DE RADCLIFFE, was transferred from Washington to that important post, there seems to be a propriety in transferring another Ambassador from Constantinople to Washington. Lord NAPIER is not a peer of the United Kingdom; he is only a Scotch nobleman, but he is the representative of one of the most illustrious families in British history, and, whatever his own personal merits be, he is related to an immense number of heroes and distinguished men. He is descended from the renowned Sir JOHN NAPIER, of Merchiston, who invented logarithms; his father was the well-known Chinese Commissioner, and his maternal grandfather is ADMIRAL, the Earl of DUNDONALD, who distinguished himself, when Lord COCHRANE, in the service of the South American Provinces, in their war of independence, and in the Greek war. He belongs to the family of the historian of the Peninsular war, of the gallant hero of Scinde, and of the eccentric Admiral NAPIER, of whom we have lately heard so much. Lord NAPIER was formerly attached to the British Legation in Naples; and since the close of the Crimean war he has been residing on his estate in Scotland. He is represented as a grave man of business; but, as he is thirty-eight years old, and has not been sent on an independent mission before, it is not probable that he is a man of brilliant intellect. He is married, and has children. In addition to a Scotch Peerage, he is a Baronet of Nova Scotia.

It will be seen that if our cotemporaries thought it a subject of gratulation that a person of such high family connections as Hon. Mr. VILLIERS was to be sent as an Ambassador from the British Government, there is much greater cause to be abundantly satisfied with such an appointment as that of Lord NAPIER. However, rank and family connections go for no more than they are worth in practical affairs, and the new Minister will be treated with no more consideration than if he were the "son of a spinning jenny," or a shoemaker. It is the man and not his Scotch "forbears" with whom our Government will have to deal; it is the Power he represents, and not his illustrious kinsmen, that will insure him a respectful reception in Washington.

State of the City.

New-York City is still inhabitable. Society has not yet been resolved into its original elements. Men, women and children continue to pass through its busy streets—business is still transacted in its marts; murders are not of hourly occurrence—and in spite of the absurd exaggerations of the "sensation" newspapers, our country friends, in large numbers, still intrust their valuable lives to the chances of the metropolis. We have, it is true, a good many cases of assault and battery, which an active imagination easily magnifies into most awful and astounding occurrences. The race of dock thieves is by no means extinct. The picking of pockets is perhaps as active as it has been at any time during the last ten years. Mayor POWELL's Irish brigade of policemen has not as yet contributed very largely to the public sense of security in the city of Brooklyn, and there is an unquestionable lack of efficiency and vigor in the Police Department of our own metropolis. But these things are nothing new. We have from time immemorial been subject to the same inconveniences, and been compelled to listen to the same complaints.

The gravest consequences often flow from the most paltry causes. An abduction led to the siege of Troy, and according to some chronicler the escape of a pig from his pen brought on the American War of 1812. The importation of a single word has laid the foundation for most of the outcry which now vexes the public ear, about the insecurity of life and limb in the City of New-York. It is nothing new in our history for half a dozen rowdies to fasten upon a solitary and perhaps half-tipsy gentleman, painfully making his way homeward from some night resort, and for part of them to hold him fast and cover his mouth to stifle his screams, while the rest divest him of his watch and wallet. These things always happen in certain portions of every large city, and ours has never been a marked exception. The novelty in the present case is the name the process goes by. It is called *garroting*. The name comes to us from Cuba, by way of London. It is within the knowledge of most people that Gen. LORIZ, *when executed for his invasion of Cuba, was* seated in a chair at the back of which rose a standard like the back piece of a barber's chair, —*that his throat was embraced by an iron* ring, which was tightened by a screw, and that he was thus choked to death. *The quick fancy of some of the London reporters detected a* likeness to this process in the modus operandi of *the footpads of the street. One of them puts* his arm around the neck of his victim, or perhaps clutches his throat, while the other robs him. The throat-clutching was precisely what the *garrote* does,—whereupon the astute reporter baptized the theft—the *garroting* process. The London papers took up the subject,—from their columns it has been transplanted into some of our most pretensious sheets, and the timid reader is now regaled with a daily dish of *garroting* horrors. Visions of LORIZ and his "bed of steel" dance before the inflamed imagination. Very nervous ladies now walk down Broadway expecting to find on every corner some ghastly victim of this throttling process, with collapsed *pare-pomme* and protruding tongue,—gasping out sighs for his lost treasure and available execrations of Mayor WOOD. And the only reason why consternation has not seized upon our entire population and emptied *the streets of all pedestrians*, except such as may be cased, in armor and loaded down with heavy artillery, is that common sense still carries the day over the most elaborate and portentous editorials of the sensation press.

Let nobody understand us as denying or [illegible] or as certifying the action of our authorities to be everything that it should be. Crimes of all sorts take place under our eyes, and for lack of punishment, when they should be. Our Police force is far too small for the work it has to do, and our courts of justice far too lax in the rules upon which they act for the punishment of offenders. These matters demand a remedy, and if the subject is properly approached there can be no great difficulty in devising and applying one. But nothing is to be gained by the ridiculous exaggerations with which the columns of some of our cotemporaries constantly abound. They may serve some purpose of partisan ambition or of personal resentment:—but they are worse than useless for any end connected with the public good.

Spanish Coins Again.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Jan. 22, 1857.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

The *immediate taking effect* is the only bad feature in the new law reducing the value of Spanish coins 20 per cent. With a knowledge that in *six months* from this time, all holders of that particular branch of the "root," we read so much about, would lose one-fifth its present nominal value, few persons would be caught with a shilling to cut their friends off with, (and *none*, except those who don't read the papers,) if Congress had provided a place in all large towns—say the Post-Office or Custom-House—where good fair "Bel Grafie" coin might be exchanged in any amount for the present United States coinage at par.

Such a provision would have been decidedly

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Some such course as the one suggested should have been pursued. As it is, the Government throws upon the holders of Spanish coin the entire loss of the depreciation caused by its own act. This kind of coin is intrinsically worth very nearly or quite as much as the American coin, which is to take its place:—and by sending it to the Mint for recoinage the Government could effectually withdraw it from circulation and at the same time save the community from serious loss. Instead of this, it simply refuses to receive it at any price, and thus forces it back into the general circulation of the community.

The bill, by the way, which prohibits the circulation of Spanish coin, has not yet become a law. It passed the Senate, but was amended in the House, and those amendments have not yet been concurred in by the Senate.

CONGRESS.—In the Senate, yesterday, consideration of the Submarine Telegraph bill was resumed. Mr. PUGH, of Ohio, advocated an amendment that no money shall be paid under authority of the act until that portion of the British possessions commanding the western terminus of the line shall have been subjected to the principle of neutralization, as adopted in the Central American Treaty of 1850. He was opposed to placing the termini under the control of the British Government, thus giving them an undue advantage in case of war, and regarded the project as one for the benefit of speculators. Mr. BENJAMIN, of Louisiana, opposed the proposition of Mr. PUGH, and contended that the matter was not regarded by the British Government in the light in which that gentleman viewed it. Great Britain has declared that she will not take advantage of her position in the matter, but will repay the testimonial of good feeling recently manifested in the restoration of the bark *Resolute*. The bill was variously debated by other Senators, and finally passed by a vote of 29 against 18.

In the House, a motion was pending from Wednesday, to reconsider the vote passing the resolution directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to keep the correspondent of the DAILY TIMES in close confinement, and to lay that motion on the table—thus putting it out of the power of the House to retrace the steps already taken. After some debate, the question was decided by a refusal to reconsider—116 against 77. Consideration of the bill reported from the Investigating Committee, more effectually to enforce the attendance of witnesses, &c., was then resumed. Mr. DAVIS, of Maryland, from the Committee, reported a substitute, but similar in its leading features to the original bill. After considerable debate, the substitute was passed, by a vote of 103 against 12. It was immediately sent to the Senate, where it was immediately referred to the Judiciary Committee without objection, and by them reported back to the Senate, with a recommendation for its instant consideration. Objections, however, was made by Senator WILSON, and the Senate adjourned. The House subsequently passed the bill establishing the office of Surveyor-General in Nebraska.

THE LEGISLATURE.—A petition was presented yesterday in the Senate, from merchants of this City, against the passage of the bill relative to Port Wardens. A bill was reported appropriating $20,000 for the use of the New-York Consumption Hospital. A favorable report was made on the bill requiring Savings Bank to report semi-annually to the Bank Superintendent. Bills were passed allowing the Corporation of this City to borrow $500,000 to build a new reservoir, to close Bloomingdale-square, and to provide for the payment of *awards for laying out the Central Park. Notice* was given of intention to introduce bills for various purposes.

In the Assembly, the joint resolution relative to Lieut. HARTSTEIN was adopted. The bill ceding jurisdiction to the United States *over property* in New-York to be used as a Post-Office site was debated, but no final action was had. *The bill extending the time for* the collection of taxes was ordered to a third reading.

ARRIVAL OF THE AMERICA'S MAILS.—The mails by the Cunard steamship *America*, which arrived in Boston on Tuesday, did not reach this City until 4 o'clock yesterday morning. The principal feature in the news is the bombardment of Canton, of which a full and graphic account is given by our own correspondent. To the summary already telegraphed from Halifax we have the additional and important item of intelligence that Lord NAPIER has been appointed British Ambassador to Washington. Various extracts from our foreign files on the leading European questions of the day will be found in another part of this morning's paper.

Shirking the Responsibility.

The *George Law*, which left yesterday for California, was advertised *to leave on Wednesday*. Those having engaged passage were promptly on board. As the steamer filled, however, *to get off at her appointed* hour, many of the passengers growled a good deal. The agents of the line, *not relishing the source* matters were taking, and wishing to shake the blame from their own shoulders, gave out that the steamer was detained by the Government, and caused a poster to be put upon the pier to such effect. The poster omitted to mention the grounds on which the Government detained her, and the agent adroitly evaded questions as to the time when she would be released. Some of the passengers were detained nearly by noon, on the idea that the steamer would be released in time to her passengers from the detention being due to the City, and that the agent poster alluded to was of design.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

By Telegraph to the New-York Daily Times.

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News from Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The Territorial Convention at Lecompton, Kansas, adjourned on the 14th inst., after passing resolutions embodying the views and the principles of the party hereafter to be called the "National Democratic Party." Both branches of the Kansas Legislature repudiate that portion of Governor GEARY's message relating to the repeal of obnoxious enactments.

United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 22.

Case No. 54.—*William A. Slaughter*, plaintiff, vs. *James A. Sneddon*. Error to the Supreme Court of Louisiana. Judge TANEY delivered an opinion dismissing the writ of error for want of jurisdiction.

No. 50.—Argument concluded.

No. 53.—*Thomas Richardson*, plaintiff, vs. *Old & Boston*. Argument commenced by Mr. BARTLETT for plaintiff, and Mr. CRANDALL for defendant.

The State Radical Democratic Committee.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The Radical Democratic-Republican Committee is in session again this morning.

The Committee have had a warm session. A majority of the members are in favor of indorsing WALL HUNT for United States Senator. No action has been taken yet.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22—P. M.

The Committee had a stormy session to-day, much opposition being made to the expression of any opinion in relation to the Senatorial question; but the matter was pressed to a vote when the friends of PRESTON KING declined voting, and seven members of the Committee then voted in favor of recommending the name of WARD HUNT as successor to HAMILTON FISH.

The Weather and Travel.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday, Jan. 21.

The Baltimore road is now open, and the train started from here this morning at the regular hour. The western track is still obstructed.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 22.

No mails have been received from New-York, Philadelphia, or the South.

CHARLESTON, Sunday, Jan. 18.

We have experienced a very heavy gale and snow-storm here; and the thermometer has been as low as 22 degrees above zero.

AUGUSTA, Me., Thursday, Jan. 22.

It snowed here throughout yesterday. The temperature at sunrise to-day was 6 degrees above zero.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Jan. 22.

Foot passengers are crossing the river on the ice to-day, and wagons will probably cross to-morrow. The weather is intensely cold.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The thermometer fell thirteen degrees since this morning. At 8 P.M. the temperature was 4 degrees below zero. The weather is rough. The morning train from New-York reached here about 4 P.M.

The Senatorial Question in Wisconsin, &c.

MILWAUKEE, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The caucus of the Democratic members of our Legislature last evening nominated Judge DUNN as their candidate for United States Senator.

The thermometer was at 20° below zero this morning.

From Trenton.

THE U. S. COURT OF NEW-JERSEY—BUSINESS IN THE LEGISLATURE.

TRENTON, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The U. S. Court is in session here. The Grand Jury is investigating the mutiny on the packet ship New-York. The Captain of the ship and various witnesses are present.

Notice has been given in the House of Assembly by Mr. ROBINS, of Middlesex, to repeal the charter of the Commercial Bank of Perth Amboy.

The committee on life-saving apparatus has been authorized to send for persons and papers respecting the number of wrecks and loss of life and property on the Jersey coast.

Declaration of War Against the Florida Indians.

CHARLESTON, Sunday, Jan. 18.

The steamer *Carolina* has arrived here, with Jacksonville dates to the 15th inst.

General HARNEY had withdrawn his flags of truce and declared war against the Indians.

Destructive Fire at Gloucester, N. J.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Jan. 22.

A fire in Gloucester, N. J., this forenoon, destroyed twenty-four houses belonging to the Gloucester Bleaching and Print works. Nearly thirty families are rendered homeless.

BURNING OF THE OFFICERS' QUARTERS AT CARLISLE BARRACKS, PA.

CARLISLE, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The officers' quarters at Carlisle Barracks were destroyed by fire this afternoon.

Damage to Western Mail Bags by Fire.

ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The bags containing the Toledo mails and Buffalo and Cincinnati Railroad mail, due here to-day, were received, badly damaged by fire.

Marine Disasters.

BOSTON, Thursday, Jan. 22.

The brig *Susan*, Cardenas, for Boston, was lost at 1 P.M. on Monday, at Folly Cove, Gloucester. She went to pieces in one hour. The crew was saved.

A large ship was discovered at anchor, dismasted, off Hyannis yesterday. A schooner started to assist her, since which nothing has been heard of her.

Wallack's Theatre.

DEBUT OF MISS HEAON.

It is seldom that the luxury of a surprise is reserved for the theatrical critic of a daily paper. His experience is of the ordinary common-places of life, varied merely in form and feature, but including in its inevitable period and of one inevitable stamp, character and height. Self-confident on this point, he is apt to attach but small importance to the announcements of play-bills, and to expect but little from their vast promise. But that he may be surprised, wonderfully, hugely, surprised, was demonstrated last night. The name of MATILDA HEAON is probably known to some of our readers; it has been mentioned briefly as belonging to one of the strong popularities of the day, appreciated in the West, and kept there mostly as an excellence to which it was accustomed. When this lady was announced to appear in New-York a few enthusiasts felt elated, and hundreds of others imagined that they were to be bored in the usual way by a provincial notoriety. She did appear last night at Wallack's Theatre, and achieved the most unequivocal success we ever witnessed. The first scene obliterated all preconceived notions, and left the mind in agony of what was to come. When the curtain descended on the last act critics went home to their desks feeling humble and dim, but proud in the consciousness that they were privileged to place a leaf of bay on the brow of genius. We are using strong language, and desire to do so, for in welcoming Miss MATILDA HEAON to the New-York boards, we believe we are greeting the greatest actress of the age.

The play selected for the occasion—"Camille," was a trying one. It has been done to death, by able and by indifferent artists. All its emotions have been canvassed; its sentiments abused; its morals condemned. There was nothing to hope for from the play; the majority of the audience merely went to see the new actress in a scene or two and then leave. The result was magical. There most listless remained to the end, and the calmest became enthusiastic. To account for this satisfactorily, we can make use of none but the most uncritical language. We can only say that Miss HEAON is a superb artiste who holds the traditions of the stage in the palm of her hand, and strangles them when they strive to impede the free exercise of her genius. To speak deliberately of her interpretation of the character of the unfortunate heroine requires more head and less heart than can be readily summoned to the task. Imagine a dear friend in Camille's situation; picture to yourself the sudden, tendered, pitiflled woe; abandon yourself to the subdued impulses of a broken heart; open all the generous fountains of sympathy in your nature, and you will understand some of the chords which are swept by the potent hand of Miss HEAON. We [illegible]

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H. W. Beecher on the Beecher.

Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER delivered, last night, his admirable lecture with the somewhat sentimental title—*The Mistletoe of the Family*—at the Tabernacle, in aid of the New-York School of Design. He said by way of preface that he had intended to write a new lecture pertinent to the subject of the school, but not finding it compatible, and seeing that the other gentlemen who had lectured in the Course, had read lectures before delivering, he had concluded to follow their examples. The Tabernacle was well filled—for a lecture occasion. That is to say, all the seats within the circle of the chandelier were full, and what was equivalent to two more rows all around the gallery books—say 350 or 400 people. There was great curiosity to see how the popular lecturer looked after his adventure on the ice in the East River, and a hearty appreciation of every shot tenor uttered.

NEW-YORK WEEKLY TIMES.

(Continued from Saturday, Jan. 24.)

I.—POETRY.—An Ode on the Sub-Atlantic Telegraph. By Parsons Lippincott.
II.—ELEANOR HAZLETON; OR, THE POWER OF WOMAN. By Caroline Chesebro'. Full Text. Chapter XI. Written for the New-York Weekly Times.
III.—MY BROTHER ROBERT.—Poetry.
IV.—PARIS GOSSIP.—Fresh and Racy.
V.—INTERESTING FROM KANSAS.—Views of Recent Movements in the Territory.—Attempt of Officers to Enter the Disputed Ground.
VI.—PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS FOR THE WEEK.—Action of the House in relation to the Coercive Combination Committee.—Proceedings of the Senate.—Resentment of the New-York Times Correspondent by the Bar of the House in Answer for Contempt.—Proceedings of the Senate.—Proceedings of the Senate.—Proceedings of the House.—Proceedings of the Senate.—Proceedings of the House.—Proceedings of the Senate.—Proceedings of the House

MARINE BANTERS.

Last of the ship New-York.

It gives us pleasure to pen the last paragraph concerning this old ship.

Mr. Shaw, the Custom-House officer in charge of the cargo of the ship *New-York*, reached the City yesterday noon, after a long and tedious passage—his services having been dispensed with. He reports that during the violent gales of Sunday night the ship went to pieces, and her spars, plank, timbers and old iron were scattered along the beach. The railroad iron still lying upon her bottom may be saved when moderate weather will allow the men to work.

The pilot-boat *Washington*, No. 4, left upon a cruise on the 15th inst., and had put out all their pilots except one, when, upon Sunday, the 18th inst., they were overtaken by a furious gale from E. to E. N. E. Barometer 28.3. Being unable to carry a rag of sail, the vessel was hove to, and during the gale they were boarded by the sea, which washed overboard their yawl, stove bulwarks, and did other damage. They also lost their fish. They obtained their first observation in lat. 38° 37', lon. 73° 30', where they fell in with brig *Golden Lead*, since arrived, laying to under storm staysail. The gale is represented as one of the most terrific ever experienced by the pilots of this boat.

Pilot-boats *Christian Berg* and *Washington*, No. 2, have not been heard from since the gales, and some anxiety is felt for their safety. The latter boat had only one pilot on board when last heard from, Mr. THOMAS OBR.

Several of the crew of the *Geo. W. Bland* were frost-bitten while that boat was beating up to Quarantine on Sunday.

Ship *Pacific*, GARD, from New-Orleans Dec. 24, arrived yesterday, a perfect wreck, from the effects of the late gale, and being out of water. See Marine column for particulars of this and other cases of great suffering upon the coast.

Crew List of the Lost Brig Emeline.

We give below the names and personal description of the six unfortunate men who lost their lives at the wreck of the *Emeline*, as we have obtained them from the Crew List at the Custom-House, to enable their friends the more easily to identify them, and to recover their remains. Communications addressed to CHARLES LEWIS, coroner, Long Branch, N. J., will receive prompt attention concerning the disposition of the bodies.

Chas. W. Knox, mate,	Age 30,	5 ft. 9 in. Light. Lt. Brown.
Ad an L. Motts,	25	5 ft 6 in. Dark. Dark.
William Edwards,	25	5 ft. 5 in. Dark. D'k'br'n.
Henry Rogers,	25	5 ft. 8 in. Dark. D'k'br'n.
James Sweeney,	26	5 ft. 8 in. Light. Brown.

Captain FARRAR is represented to be about 40 years of age, spare, about five feet eleven inches in height, dark complexion and whiskers, with shoulders a little rounded; belonged to Penobscot, Me.

Mr. PATTERSON, shipping-agent in Peck-slip, shipped JAMES SWEENEY, who hailed from County Wexford, Ireland, and another agent shipped a Swede for this vessel under the name of JOHN WILLIAMS, who was probably substituted for one of the foregoing names, who deserted before sailing.

A genl man, representing himself as a brother of the mate, wrote Mr. BROOKMAN from Chicago a few days since, inquiring when the brig was expected.

NEW-JERSEY.

The New-Jersey Railroads.

Travel was nearly as bad on the New-Jersey Railroad yesterday, as it was on Monday, on account of the wind blowing the snow on the track. The trains left the dépôt yesterday regularly. The one which left at 8 o'clock A. M. succeeded only in reaching New-Brunswick by evening. The Owl Train, due at 5 o'clock A. M. at Jersey City, arrived at 1 P. M. The train which left Philadelphia at 10 o'clock A. M. did not get through.

The trains upon the New-York and Erie Railroad are also much delayed. The New-York Express train, due at about 10 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday, arrived yesterday at 2½ P. M. The Night Express train arrived at 5 P. M. yesterday—about six hours behind time. The trains are all more or less delayed. The wind last night increased the obstructions.

Foreign Currency.

Instructions have been given to the Ferry-masters upon the Jersey City Ferry to take the Spanish coin at the reduced value—20 cents for quarters, 10 cents for shillings, and 5 cents for sixpences. Yesterday the instructions went into operation.

☞ The Jersey City Ferry and the Barclay-street Hoboken Ferry ran with regularity. The Canal-street and Christopher-street Ferry boats are not running.

Held for Trial.

The Coroner's jury in the case of the death of LOUISA SCHULER, in Hoboken, rendered a verdict that she came to her death from blows inflicted by some person or persons unknown to the Jury, but believed to be FREDERICK KOHLER and his wife, who were in custody. Justice FORSTER committed them to Bergen Jail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS.

VETERAN CORPS OF 1812.—THE MEMbers of the Corps will attend the funeral of our brother soldier, JOSEPH F. JAMES, from the residence of his son, No. 114 Ludlow-street, THIS DAY, Friday, the 23d inst., at 2½ o'clock A. M. Also, the funeral of our brother soldier HARTSHORNE WHITE, from his late residence, No. 459 Houston-st., THIS DAY, Friday, the 23d inst., at 11 o'clock A. M. By order,

A. W. JONES, Colonel.
WILLIAM CORRIERE, Adjutant.

VETERAN CORPS OF 1812.—THE CORPS will meet at No. 114 Ludlow-st., on this FRIDAY, at 2½ o'clock, to attend the funeral of our deceased brother soldier, JOSEPH F. JAMES, in citizens' dress, with the usual badge of mourning. By order

H. RAYMOND, Colonel.
ISAAC M. PRYE, Adjutant.

N. B.—The corps will meet THIS (Friday) EVENING, 23d inst., at 7 o'clock, corner Grand and Elizabeth sts., on business of importance.

LECTURES.

EARTHQUAKES AND VOLCANOES.—DR. E. D. F. WIRSOW's Lecture on this subject is to be given at Hope Chapel on the evening of the 26th inst., (MONDAY next,) at 7½ o'clock. Admission 25 cents.

The highly-interesting papers read by Dr. W. before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at Albany, in August last, giving an account of volcanic eruptions in the Sandwich Islands, which he has witnessed, etc., has prompted an invitation to be extended to him for this lecture in the Friends' Institute Course.

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New-Jersey and the Quarantine Question.

Inaugural Address of Governor Newell.

Hon. Wm. A. NEWELL, the new Governor of New-Jersey, after overcoming the pleasures of a long walk through the snow-drifts to get to the State House, in Trenton, on the day for his inauguration, was duly sworn into office on Tuesday. His Inaugural address is published in yesterday's Trenton papers. He discusses with considerable brevity all internal questions, but in the matter of the Quarantine he goes a step further even than Governor PRESS, deciding to acknowledge that New-Jersey soil should, in any event, be appropriated to such uses. We copy this passage in full:

"The last Governor of New-York has expressed the hope, in an unofficial note which has been handed to me, that through executive recommendation and otherwise, the question of jurisdiction over a portion of your shore will be made to New-York, for the purpose of enabling her to remove her Quarantine from Staten Island, to the point in question. My convictions of duty render it not only impossible to concur in his views but compel me, on the contrary, imperatively to dissent from them. It is not my intention now to discuss the right of New-York to establish a Quarantine in New-Jersey, upon the ground that a purchase was made of a portion of our territory, for that purpose, from the General Government; nor to give a history of the transaction by which she obtained possession of Staten Island; but I shall reserve for the future a consideration of these and other points, should it become necessary to communicate with the Legislature on this subject.

"It is sufficient at this time to say that *the pride and dignity of New-Jersey would never allow her to consent that any portion of her territory should be used for such a purpose by another State.* To New-York insures the advantages of an extended commerce, and she must be content rather to *submit to whatever evils follow on its train.* She ought not to desire to impose those latter upon a sister State."

Gov. NEWELL recommends the passage of a Registry law. In reference to Federal affairs, he holds good Free-Soil doctrines, saying:

"The repeal of the Missouri Compromise in the passage of the Kansas and Nebraska act, was a gross violation of plighted faith, and occurred at a time and under circumstances well calculated to arouse the just indignation of the whole country, and cause it to doubt the moral rectitude of the Government. The sad consequences of this act will be long felt. No sophistry will avail to divert true purpose. New-Jersey will insist upon preserving, forever, intact from slavery, that portion of our soil dedicated to perpetual freedom by this solemn and time-honored compact. Yet New-Jersey is conservative; she will abide by the compromises; she reprobates any interference with the institution of Slavery in States where it already exists, and she recognizes no superior in her devotion to the true interests of the whole country.

"*It has become a convenient cant with a certain class* of politicians to threaten a dissolution of the Union. Such language might have had some meaning in times long gone by, but what was once a feeble union of States has grown to be a powerful Constitutional Union, and *this Government will never be overthrown by* politicians while the people are true to themselves and put their trust in the great God of Nations."

Indiana—Inaugural Address of Gov. Willard.

Gov. WILLARD of Indiana delivered his inaugural address on the 15th inst. The principal feature of the address is its comments upon immigration. The new Governor assumes Anti-Know-Nothing ground in the strongest style. He says:

"Why shall we not adopt as an American citizen, the voluntary exile from his native land, within the time now prescribed by law? By so doing, we confer upon him no right of suffrage—no right to purchase, hold or alienate property. We simply throw around him the protecting arm of the United States, and advise all other nations that he is a sacred Son of Liberty, as though born under the Constitution.

"When, and upon what conditions, persons either foreign or native born, shall acquire and dispose of property, or exercise the rights of suffrage in our State, depends upon no act of Congress, but upon the laws of the State.

"These designing men, whose love for office go exceeded their desire for the peace and prosperity of their country, knew that their hopes of success depended upon appealing to the prejudices and passions of men where no opportunity was offered to counteract their efforts by the soothing influence of reason. Accordingly, they established secret political organizations, studiously excluding therefrom all who would not sustain their unchristian and illiberal doctrines. Deceived men were persuaded that, in a short time, thinking and patriotic citizens would abandon these associations, and they have not been disappointed."

He adds, that in addition to a violent invasion of the rights of suffrage by outrages committed at the polls, a systematic effort has been made to control the Government of the State by means of fraudulent and illegal votes. It is recommended to the Legislature to pass stringent laws to remedy the evil.

The peroration is Pro-Slavery. The Governor says:

"You have all been more or less engaged in the excitement which has recently closed in Indiana, and you cannot but have observed how few of our fellow-citizens determined their action by any benefit they expect to derive, or injury they feared to suffer from the laws of their own State. Indeed they were seldom called upon to consider those subjects which more nearly affected their local interests, but had their attention rather directed to the laws and institutions of those who reside in neighboring States and Territories; and I think I am warranted in expressing the opinion, that the people of no State more thoroughly investigated their duty. After the most careful consideration they have decided that as for Indiana, she will recognize and execute the Constitution of the United States as the highest law for the Government of her people, as that Constitution is interpreted by the tribunal established and authorized by the instrument itself, to decide between the separate and United States.

"That as for those who regulate the laws and constitutions of other States, we will concede to them the same sovereignty and independence which we claim for ourselves. Nor do we stop here. If our fellow-citizens desire to go beyond the limits of our States and make their homes within the Territories, (purchased by the blood and treasure of all,) we say go where none of their sovereign rights which they possessed as citizens of the State, but fully authorized to regulate their domestic affairs in their own way, subject only to the Constitution of the United States."

Message of the Governor of Wisconsin.

The message of Gov. BARSTOW, of Wisconsin, was delivered on the 15th inst. The Treasury of the State is in a comfortable condition, having a balance of $17,000. The year's receipts were $368,000. Fifty bonds of $1,000 each, fall due on the 1st of April next, and the Legislature is recommended to make provision for their payment. The State Prison is becoming a serious charge; its present number of inmates is 160; the expense in 1856 was $27,894. The Governor recommends the Prison contract system, the income arising therefrom to be applied towards the completion of the Prison buildings. There are 50 Banks in the State, with an aggregate capital of $3,950,000. The increase in Banking capital in 1856 was $1,280,000. The amount arising from the tax on Banking capital last year was $37,000; for the next year the revenue is estimated at $60,000. Securities on deposit amount to $2,968,000. The Governor commends the present Banking system in the highest terms. The State University has 139 students. The affairs of the Deaf and Dumb Institution are administered with economy, and the establishment flourishes finely. The State Historical Society has a good library, which has increased from 50 volumes, in 1854, to 3,120, on the 1st inst. A Commission, consisting of Messrs. JNO. F. POTTER, SAMUEL TODD, and R. WILLIAMS, has been appointed by the Governor, to revise the General Statutes. The Governor lays before the Legislature several subjects to which he begs attention. Among them, he conceives of none that is more important than a diminution of special legislation. The population of the State is now 555,000.

The Governor closes by criticizing President PIERCE's last Message.

"I cannot allow the occasion to pass without repelling the grossly unjust imputations cast upon the people of this, in common with those of a majority of the Free States, by the present Chief Magistrate of the Republic, in his late annual message. A large majority of the electors of Wisconsin stand charged by him with hostility to other portions of the Union; with a desire to interfere with the domestic institutions of other States; and with participating in a revolutionary movement, the object of which is attainable only by the path of civil strife, and which would inevitably lead to the disruption of the country. The mildest language I can apply to such charges is to pronounce them unjust and unwarrantable. No State is more fondly attached to the Union than our own; no people more loyal to the Constitution, or more scrupulous in their regard for the rights of others, than those of Wisconsin. It is true that they have differed from the President on important questions of national policy; but that opinion has been honestly and conscientiously entertained, and it feel it my duty to charge upon the sweeping allegations of the President, in his message, in this respect, is ill-timed, undignified and unfair."

The Roman Catholics of New-Jersey find it difficult to comply with the order of their Bishop, restricting funeral processions to six carriages. On Sunday, at Newark, an Irish funeral presented a singular spectacle; there were the six carriages only, but hundreds followed them on foot, in a promiscuous and disorderly crowd, altogether more insightly and annoying than the long string of carriages which the Bishop has abolished.

The fishermen of Gloucester have engaged, in the hazardous employment of fishing for halibut at this season. Seven fine clipper schooners are in the business at the Isle of Sable, and before the middle of February, a large fleet will be employed on George's Banks.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Another Case of Shysterism—An N. Y. Implicated.

Shysterism, instead of disappearing from among us, is evidently on the increase. A few weeks ago our police reports contained a striking illustration of the audacity and villainy of the practitioners of this art, and now they furnish us with another case of the same kind which is still more villainous and still more audacious than even the former one. The substance of the last named case is as follows:

In March last, a certain SAMUEL GOLDBERY was arrested in this City on a charge of petty larceny, and brought before Justice DAVIDSON, of the Jefferson Market Police Court. This functionary, however, after examination, caused the prisoner to be liberated, not deeming the evidence sufficient to establish his guilt, or thinking him, perhaps, to be altogether innocent. GOLDBERY, as soon as dismissed, went on his way rejoicing, and heard no more of the matter till the beginning of last week. But if he thought that he was clearly out of the wood, and entirely out of danger, the result shows that he was woefully mistaken. GOLDBERY was known to have money, and not to be particularly crafty, and a few ingenious gentlemen, among whom figured one of our immaculate police, having learned the details of the difficulty in which he had been involved, conceived the idea of so turning their knowledge to account as to make it an agent for extracting a few hundred dollars from the pockets of the rich and simple GOLDBERY. The plot was no sooner laid than the conspirators proceeded to carry it into execution. Two of the party, HERMAN, a Jew, and WEBER, the policeman aforesaid, were dispatched to GOLDBERY's boarding-house, No. 58 Bayard-street, to inform him that the District-Attorney "wanted him," and that he must go to prison for the crime which he had been arrested for last March. This intelligence inspired poor GOLDBERY with terror, for *how could he presume to question its authenticity*, seeing one of his informants was an M. P. and a star-bearer? *He begged earnestly not to be forced to accompany them*, and promised again and again to present himself without fail before the District-Attorney next morning, the keeper of the boarding-house even offering to go bail that he would do so. Neither the repeated promises of GOLDBERY, however, nor the offer of the boarding-house keeper, could give entire satisfaction to Messieurs WEBER and HERMAN. But they relented a little, nevertheless. No longer insisting on taking him before the District-Attorney, they contented themselves with bringing him to the residence of a certain Jew named ROSENBERG. On arriving there, the astonished GOLDBERY learned that this philanthropic gentleman had compromised the matter with the District-Attorney by the payment of $200, and that on handing over said sum to his new-found friend, he might go about his business and would be free from all further trouble. This money must, however, be paid on the spot, or otherwise the compromiser must receive $500 the next day! SAMUEL, not appreciating this kind of generosity, and hesitating to purchase exemption from persecution at such a price, was taken by his captors from one place to another, and finally to the house of a certain notorious character in Tenth-street, where he was forced, by threats of immediate imprisonment, to fork over to ROSENBERG all the cash he then happened to have about him—$165—$15 of which, be it remembered, were subsequently given to *our shyster policeman*, as the reward of his services in that little affair!

GOLDBERY was now liberated and suffered to depart, but his annoyances were not yet at an end. He was too profitable a victim to be thus easily let off. On the following morning, another of the gang, one [illegible] by name, presented himself at GOLDBERY's [illegible] and informed him that he was a detective officer, [illegible] the District-Attorney, got back the money paid to ROSENBERG, and put the others in prison! GOLDBERY demurred to the payment of the $50 beforehand, but would deposit that amount with a third party till it was fairly earned. This offer was accepted, the money deposited, and GOLDBERY and his new patron started forthwith for the District-Attorney's office. But, as they were proceeding on their way, ROSENBAUM suddenly stopped, and advised his client that he had better keep quiet and leave the City, lest, if he remained, he should be rearrested and sent to prison. The terrors of SAMUEL were now quickened, and nothing more was necessary to induce him to give up all idea of honoring the District-Attorney with his intended visit. As he was returning home, however, he fortunately encountered a friend, who, on hearing his story, quickly opened his eyes as to the character of the parties into whose hands he had fallen, and the extent of the imposition which had been perpetrated on him. At the suggestion of this friend, GOLDBERY went immediately before Recorder SMITH, and made affidavit to the above effect, in consequence of which warrants were at once issued for the arrest of the conspirators, all of whom, save one, have been nabbed and compelled to find bail in the sum of $2,000, or remain in durance till trial. The Recorder, after hearing the details of this case, pronounced it to be one of the most outrageous on record, and, if the allegations contained in the affidavit be true, we sincerely hope that the perpetrators of this audacious and villainous swindle will meet with the full measure of that punishment which they have so well merited.

Garroting.

Garroting is a great convenience—nothing more convenient can happen to a man under certain circumstances. We do not mean by the term that operation, which is said to be popular in London, namely, throttling a man with one hand, and snatching his gold watch with the other; but that other process, which some of our enterprising cotemporaries create a sensation with every morning. We say it is a great convenience. For instance, John Smith, the broker, has $150 in his pocket to buy his wife a gold brooch with, according to promise. Down town, in the first of the evening, he meets a friend or two, who proposes a game at bluff. He accepts, and is not eminently successful. Before going home why shouldn't he, if he is a wise man, step into a newspaper office, and announce to his friend, the Police Reporter, all the particulars of his being seized, suddenly, when it was scarcely dark, by a couple of ruffians, robbed of his funds, and not a policeman in sight?

A countryman comes to town, with the cash in his pocket, to buy up half a dozen hogsheads of molasses, and a fresh supply of calicoes for his store. His friend, the drummer, takes him out to see the elephant, and when he wakes next morning with a terrible headache on, he finds that the elephant's trunk has picked his pocket of the six hogsheads of molasses and all the calico. The story reads very awkwardly at home, if told in this unadorned way. He consults his friend, the drummer, who straightway has him "garroted" at the Chief's office or in the *Tribune*. He goes home with a fine experience and an untarnished reputation.

We have heard some dismal stories of women "garroted." They felt a "choking" at the throat, but by screaming loudly when the grip relaxed a little, got off without losing their *porte-monnaies*. Policemen can seldom be of such service in these cases as a five-grain pill of assafœtida.

On the night of the great snow-storm—Sunday night last—we found a poor fellow lying at whole length in a snow-bank at the head of Peck-slip. We lifted him out with care and inquired how it happened. He said he had been garroted, and on following it up, we discovered that it was a gang of "whisky skins" that did it. To make it still worse, two policemen stood by and saw the operation without winking.

If we ever should go on a bu'st, and lose our pocket-book, for the wife's sake and the children's sake, we should beg the papers to "garrote" us. We understand that the Total Abstinence Society have appointed an agent to wait upon all garroted parties and give them an opportunity to take the pledge. With this in their pocket, they say a man may defy nine-tenths of the vagabonds who practice the art. A revolver isn't half as terrible to them as the pledge.

Result of Rascally Treatment.

In the fifth biennial report of the Board of Trustees of the Illinois State Hospital, we find the following melancholy results of the (we believe unpunished) villainy of a New-York City emigrant runner:

"A German girl was admitted to the Hospital Dec. 29, 1854. She had been six months in the country. Just after landing in New-York, she had been the victim of an infamous abuse from an emigrant runner, and had lost her reason in consequence. The whole of her residence with us was one continuous effort at self-destruction, put forth with consummate ingenuity, as one method after another was frustrated by the vigilance of her attendants. At length, when reduced by these determined efforts to a stage of extreme exhaustion—having taken no food for many months save by compulsion—she became helpless and apparently almost sentienless. While in an almost exhausted state, a door was left open for an instant by the person in attendance upon her, leading through a short space way into a dining-room, the windows of which had not at that time been secured by the customary iron grate.—with the quickness of thought, she sprang from her bed, and gliding noiselessly through the intervening space, precipitated herself through an open window. The fall, conjointly with her previously exhausted condition, terminated her unhappy life in about eight hours. This took place on the 11th of June, 1855."

Attempted Escape of Convicts from Sing-Sing Prison.

Shortly after dinner at the Prison on Monday last, a convict left the carpet shop of Messrs. SMITH & Co., unobserved, and took to the ice on the Hudson River, with a view to escape. But a prompt shot from one of the guards near by, brought him back in double quick time. Under cover of the confusion incident to the affair, six other convicts from the same shop escaped to the ice and made tracks for Rockland Landing, directly across the river. They were soon perceived, and several guards not on duty headed by Mr. BRADSHAW, the Agent and Warden, started in pursuit. It being intensely cold and stormy, two or three of the pursuers froze their noses and ears and were obliged to return. Two of the convicts nearly benumbed with the cold, were caught about one mile distant from the Prison. The remaining four succeeded in reaching the opposite shore at Rockland Lake Landing, though nearly exhausted with the fatigue of crossing the river, which at this point is three miles wide. The guards being some distance behind, the convicts at once proceeded to the nearest rum-shop to recruit their wearied limbs with a gentle stimulant. One of their number named TURNER, a fellow originally from Boston, and now serving out a fifteen years' term, here found an old acquaintance, who immediately set to work to prepare means for their escape, when he was interrupted by the appearance of the Warden and party, who took the runaways into custody. After being remanded to the Prison, the frost was taken out of their limbs by the effective operation known as the shower-bath. Subsequently their heads were shaved, and they were separately placed in dark cells with a ball and chain attached to their necks.

The Next Scientific Association's Meeting.

The Montreal Local Committee is making ample arrangements for the next meeting of the American *Association for the Advancement of Science.* The Committee is a large one, and has subdivided itself as *follows: The Conveyance Committee consists of Hon.* James Ferrier, Chairman, L. H. Holton, Esq., President of the Board of Trade, J. J. Day, Esq., Ira Gould Esq., C. J. Coursol, Esq., A. N. Bennie, Esq. These gentlemen are to arrange with the railroad companies, steamers, &c., so as to insure free passage or reduced rates of fare to members and invited guests. A committee of invitation and accommodation secures boarding houses and hotels for guests. It is constituted as follows: Hon. George Moffatt, Chairman; Lieut.-Col. Munro, C. Dunkin, Esq., L. J. A. Papineau, Esq., M. H. Seymour, Esq., Hon. Mr. De Beaujeu, Mr. Principal Dawson, John Rose, Esq., T. S. Hunt, Esq., Dr. Jones.

Another Committee, headed by Sir L. LAFONTAINE, procures a building for the meeting and takes charge of the task of showing up the public institutions. A Committee with P. KENNEDY, Esq., Chairman, is to prepare a pamphlet guide to the City, giving a sketch of the institutions and arrange for the Post-Office accommodations of members and guests in attendance. The Finance Committee, headed by H. H. WHITNEY, Esq., M. P. P., attends to the advertising, raises the funds, takes charge of the public subscription, &c., &c. Sir W. LOGAN is ex-officio a member of all these committees. The savans who go up to Montreal have a very happy time in prospect.

Nicaragua Emigration from the Fillibuster Head-quarters.

A large flag was suspended yesterday over the Nicaragua head-quarters in Broadway, displaying in [illegible] the following announcement:

"Free forms and free passage to Nicaragua on the steamer TENNESSEE leaving the 20th instant."

So it will be seen that the TENNESSEE instead of leaving to-morrow, as advertised, has delayed her departure till next Monday. The reason of this is a wish to await the arrival at this port of the *James Adger*. It is expected that very important intelligence will be brought by that steamer, and also special private *dispatches* from Gen. WALKER to the Nicaragua head-quarters.

Meantime the work of booking immigrants is progressing at a lively rate. Yesterday the number booked for passage in the TENNESSEE had reached one hundred and twenty-three. It is expected that this number will be doubled by Monday afternoon. Most of those already entered are New-Yorkers, with a sprinkling from the rest of creation. All are required to sign the following:

"We, the undersigned, desiring to avail ourselves of the liberal advantages offered by the Government of Nicaragua to actual settlers, and especially in consideration of the donation of a homestead of eighty acres of land, together with a free passage thereto, do hereby severally and collectively engage to proceed to Nicaragua with the intention of establishing ourselves on the farms assigned to us, there to live in obedience to the laws of the State as good citizens."

The above agreement, or whatever it may be called, is a new feature. District-Attorney MCKEON may, perhaps, see in it a new dodge. We give him the benefit of its publicity.

Lola Montes.

LOLA MONTES, since her return from California, is living quietly in this City at No. 13 Stuyvesant-place, where she occupies private apartments in elegant style, and is bringing up her sister—a young lady of 16—to the stage. LOLA is said to be quite well-to-do, and designs investing her property in real estate in this City, which she purposes to make her permanent place of residence.

Most of her money was realized by her theatrical tour in California. "Lola Montes in Bavaria," a play written by C. WARE, Jr., and which was originally played at the Broadway Theatre, (N. Y.,) netted her about $23,000 in California.

LOLA is about making an arrangement to play in some of the principal inland cities, and after this intends to visit England on a professional trip. This much done, she will nestle in some genteel residence up town, and enjoy delicious cigarettes, and—perhaps write her life, as BRANCH is doing.

Harlem Railroad Cars Tumbled Down an Embankment.

The Harlem Railroad enjoyed its usual accident yesterday, but this time nobody was seriously hurt.

The Albany mail train, which left the New-York City depôt at 8·10 o'clock A. M., ran off the track at 114th-street. The train consisted of three passenger cars. The rear car was thrown over the embankment five feet high, detaching the two forward cars from the engine, and throwing them off on the opposite side of the track. The windows were broken, and the ends of the cars considerably smashed.

The accident was caused by a break in one of the rails. The passengers were put into the baggage car and the train proceeded in a few minutes, nobody being damaged except one man who badly hurt a finger.

Spanish Quarters, &c.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Is it just for the Government to depreciate the value of Spanish quarters at the rate of 20 per cent. discount and rob the public to that extent? If they choose to call them in and coin them over again, why not pay us the full value of them, and not let us be losers by their transactions, as I for one, have been.

U. R. Z.

☞ A writer in the London *Medical Times* says that he has seen the man who has a patent for obtaining aluminum from clay, and who is sanguine that the article, will soon be furnished as cheaply as iron. If so we shall be sailing one of these days in aluminum ships, cooking our dinner in aluminum kettles, having aluminum fronts to our silk stores.

☞ The Triennial Catalogue of the Union Theological Seminary shows the whole number of the Alumni to be 497, of whom 33 have deceased. The New-York City University has contributed 63 of these, Yale 49, and Amherst 46. No other colleges have furnished as many students.

☞ The Pudney and Russell Guard give a grand ball on Monday evening, Feb. 16, the proceeds of which are to be given to the Printers' Free Library. The Printers go in for the thing generally, and it is likely to be what it promises—"grand."

☞ Dr. PRIME, who delivers the lecture next week on behalf of the Typographical Society, gives notice, in the *Observer*, that his lecture has no connection with the ball. He has a hand in the lecture, but not a foot in the ball.

☞ Dr. WM. M. CORNELL advises everybody to wear cotton stockings in place of woolen ones, and to have inserted between the soles of his boots a slip of bladder or gum elastic to keep his wet from his feet.

☞ In 1851, the tax-bill of this City amounted to less than three millions of dollars. In 1857 it is put down for nearly eight millions; or, to be particular, $7,813,876.

☞ One of the Seventh Ward school officers—a man of active habits and business—delivered lately an original poem by way of farewell to one of his schools.

☞ Don't let your little girls drink out of the teapot. One in Jersey City died on account of attempting it last week.

Board of Aldermen.

The Board met at 5 o'clock P. M., Alderman CLERCY, the President, in the Chair.

Several petitions were received and referred to appropriate Committees.

Alderman TUCKER rose to a question of privilege. He found from the record of the proceedings of the Board, that he was placed at the foot of two Committees—the Committee on the Almshouse, which, so far as he knew, was not in existence, for he was not aware that the members of it had ever been called together; the other, the Committee on Ordinances. He would not have noticed the fact of his having been placed last on those Committees, had not certain of his constituents and he claimed to represent as large and intelligent a constituency as any other member of the Board) called his attention to it. He hoped, therefore, that the Board would excuse him from serving on those Committees.

The question was put to the vote, and the Alderman was unanimously excused. Among the resolutions presented was one by Alderman WILSON, of the First Ward, the preamble to which set forth the facts—that from the increase of population and business in this City two-thirds of the people have to travel uptown every morning, and citizens, women and children, are in daily peril of life and limb from the overcrowded state of the streets: the resolution itself provided that the subject be referred to a special Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the probable cost of preparing a set of maps and specifications for the opening of an avenue 100 feet wide, commencing on Fourteenth-street, near Union-square, running in a southerly direction to Eighth-street, to the head of Greene-street, thence down Greene-street to Church-street, thence through Church-street to Fulton-street, and thence opening or cutting through to Trinity-place, and thence cutting through to Battery-place, near Greenwich-street; and that the said Committee report with all convenient dispatch the result of their inquiry and the expediency of the measure.

The resolution was adopted.

A resolution was presented by the Alderman of the Fourteenth Ward, the preamble to which set forth the danger to pedestrians produced by the Harlem Railroad cars turning the corner of Broome-street, from the Bowery, every two or three minutes, without the presence of a person to give warning of their approach, and which provided that the Harlem Railroad Company be directed to station a flag man at the corner of the Bowery and Broome-street, for the purpose of warning pedestrians, and those persons driving vehicles, of the nigh approach of the railroad-cars, as they turn the corner of said Bowery and Broome-street.

The resolution was adopted.

Aldermen WILSON, HARRIS, and TUCKER were appointed a Committee to carry out the resolution.

Alderman CORWIN was appointed in place of Alderman TUCKER on the Almshouse Committee, and Alderman BLUNT was appointed to his place on the Committee on Ordinances.

The report adopted by the Board of Councilmen, in reference to the Tax Levy, was, after considerable discussion, referred to the Committee on Finance, and made the special order for Monday night.

A resolution, providing that the *Staats Zeitung* be empowered to publish the Corporation advertisements, was referred to the Committee on Arts and Sciences.

The report of the Special Committee in favor of a non-concurrence with the Board of Councilmen in the resolution to extend the time for the payment of the assessments on Central Park property, and recommending an application to the Legislature for a law to meet the exigencies of the case, was adopted.

After some other business of a secondary importance had been disposed of, the Board adjourned till Monday evening, at 5 o'clock.

Board of Supervisors.

The Board met at 4 P. M.—the Mayor in the [illegible]

All the [illegible] transacted was the adoption of a report [illegible] Samuel E. Disbrow the sum of $[illegible] for surveying and mapping in the Sixteenth Ward.

Subsequently the Mayor presented a list of the Standing Committees for the year, which he afterwards withdrew in consequence of Supervisor JACKSON's declining to serve on the Committee on Annual Taxes.

The Mayor, however, stated that he would revise the list and announce it at a future meeting of the Board.

An adjournment was then moved and carried until Thursday next at the usual hour.

Coroner's Inquest.

The name of the negro who died so suddenly Wednesday evening on board the brigantine *Golden Lead*, which had just arrived from New-Orleans, was NICHOLAS JACKSON, a runner for a sailors' boarding-house. He was a native of New-Jersey, and 35 years of age. Coroner CONNERY held an inquest upon the body yesterday at the First Ward Station-house. The medical examination showed that deceased came to his death by a "dislocation of the atlas," the jury so found and censured the parties who removed the body from the vessel to the Station-house, "such proceeding being in violation of statute law."

Steamboat Columbus Sunk.

The steamboat *Columbus*, which was cut through by the ice last Winter, and has lately been repaired, while lying alongside of the dock, near Quarantine, Staten Island, Wednesday night burst one of her feed-pipes, filled with water and sunk.

☞ *New-York, and Thirty Miles Around*, by DIXSON & Co., is a valuable pocket companion, compiled by T. TOWNSEND, Esq., and is to be revised monthly. It arranges alphabetically the names of all places within thirty miles reach, and tells just how to get to them, either personally, by express, or by letter, giving the times that railroads start, steamboats leave, mails close, &c., &c. It is a capital thing. When Summer comes sensible people will avail themselves of its information to take their families out frequently into the country and let them breathe pure suburban air.

☞ Nothing has yet been heard of ERASTUS L. DE FOREST, a Western merchant, who has been missing since his arrival in this City on the 14th inst., on his way to Havana. On the day of his arrival he drew a large sum of money from the American Exchange Bank. His baggage still remains at the Metropolitan Hotel, and his friends fear that he has been murdered.

☞ Three Episcopal churches—St. Mark's, New-York, and St. Anne's and Christ churches, Brooklyn—have agreed to contribute, unitedly, the sum of $15,000 for the endowment of a professorship in the theological department of Kenyon College, Ohio.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

COURT CALENDAR—FRIDAY, Jan. 23.

SUPREME COURT—*Circuit.—Part I.*—Nos. 1084, 1044, 1362, 2792, 950, 1096, 1097, 1123, 8, 1169, 1979. *Part II.*—Nos. 198, 396, 188, 134, 416, 436, 432, 446, 452, 456, 462, 464, 1173, 1174, 476, 482, 484, 486, 494, 498, 500, 506, 514, 516, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 546, 550, 552, 16, 556, 562 to 570, 152, 48, 26, 152, 194, 178.

SUPREME COURT—*Special Term.—Class I.*—No. 44. *Class II.*—Nos. 167, 71, 128, 75, 243, 59, 243, 56, 57, 81, 158, 164, 209, 250.

COMMON PLEAS—*Part I.*—Nos. 32 to 38 inclusive, 45, 12, 15. *Part II.*—Nos. 22, 29, 39 to 44 inclusive, 46, 48.

SUPERIOR COURT—Nos. 655, 257, 275, 3, 653, 19, 635, 669, 679, 228, 702 to 710, 712, 715, 722, 730, 732, 733, 735, 736, 737, 739, 740, 741, 742, 744 to 750, 752, 636, 641, 239.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—Nos. 50, 56, 58, 70 to 78 inclusive.

SUPREME COURT.—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Hon. Justice Clerke.

HABEAS CORPUS.

Trust vs. Trust.—This is the title of a divorce suit. The plaintiff, Mr. Trust, is said to be slightly insane, and his personal appearance fully justifies this allegation. There are two children, one a boy of fourteen, and the other somewhat younger. These children prefer the care of the mother, to that of a very excitable father. The father, however, thought that they were detained by force, and therefore got out a writ of *habeas corpus*, and the children were yesterday produced. On the hearing the father interrupted the Court so frequently that he was put out of the room. On the eldest boy being questioned he stated that he should prefer to remain with his mother. The Court, therefore, ordered a reference as to whether the mother was a proper person to have the care of the children, and in the mean time she should keep them with her.

Before Hon. Justice Mitchell.

MOTIONS.

People ex rel. Dunham vs. Postley.—Restored to calendar and set down for to-morrow.

Funnes vs. Gros.—Demurrer overruled with costs, with liberty to defendant to answer in twenty days.

Pendleton vs. Hill.—Demurrer overruled, &c.

Before Hon. Justice Curtis.

Brooklyn White Lead Company vs. Masury.—Defendant was discharged from attachment.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—*Second Part.*

Before Hon. Justice Davies.

SUIT AGAINST THE CITY.

McMullen vs. The Mayor, &c., of New-York.—This is an action brought against the City for the deterioration in value of property, in consequence of the dock at the foot of Thirty-fourth-street being used as a dock for shipping the City offal to Barren Island. The contract for the removal of the refuse matter was made by the City, and this pier was designated as the shipping-pier. The plaintiff owned buildings in the neighborhood, and by reason of the intolerable stench coming from the dock, it was impossible to rent the houses; so the plaintiff sues the City for damages.

The defence is that the deterioration in the value of the property was not from the offal on the dock, but from the low, damp nature of the ground and the presence of various houses of bad repute. The case is still on.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.

H. C. W. Bevering vs. Sophia M. Bevering.—Divorce granted.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before the City Judge.

The spell of cold weather, yesterday, did not affect this Court, which was as well prepared for work as on the warmest day since Judge RUSSELL sat at the gate of justice.

Judge RUSSELL was on the bench. The Assistant District-Attorney was at his post. Mr. Vandervoort was ready for action. The Judge, addressing the District-Attorney, said: "Are you ready, Mr. District-Attorney?" Mr. Redgrick, replying in the affirmative, the proceedings of the Court commenced.

Elizabeth Werder was placed at the bar, charged with firing a pistol at her husband, on Aug. 13, 1856, the contents of which pistol wounded him seriously in the head, shoulder, neck, &c. Mrs. Werder was living apart from her husband, and sent to him demanding $1,000. He did not respond with the money, and she shot him. She was convicted of assault only, and judgment was suspended.

John McCarty pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery on Henry Smith. Sentence reserved.

William Faust, a conductor of Lewis Ahrens, convicted last term, pleaded guilty to a charge of forgery in the second degree, and was sentenced to two years in the State Prison. Faust was a German, McCarty was an Irishman. Faust went to prison. McCarty didn't. Judge RUSSELL administers justice.

FROM KANSAS.

Arrest of Topeka Members—The Law in the Case—Governor Geary—Emigration.

Correspondence of the St. Louis Republican.

WESTPORT, (Mo.) Monday, Jan. 19, 1857.

Several letters have been received here from Tecumseh and Lecompton, containing a statement that a portion of the Topeka Legislature were arrested. They met this day week, Monday, the 5th, according to appointment. Governor ROBINSON and Lieutenant Governor ROBERTS were not present; and it is said they were denounced by the faithful as traitors to the cause of the Abolitionists.

It is understood that the members were arrested on information lodged by Ex-Sheriff S. J. Jones, who has resigned his office. The law authorizing their arrest is as follows:

SEC. 23. If any person shall take upon himself any *office or public trust in this Territory*, and exercise any power to do any act appertaining to such office or trust, without a lawful appointment or deputation, he shall, upon conviction, be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and punished by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the County Jail, not exceeding one year. [An act *concerning crimes and punishments*, Kansas Statutes, pages 281-2, chapter 58.]

A great many think that Gov. GEARY had this done, and that it was his duty to disperse the Legislature. He had nothing to do with their arrest, nor had he power, under the circumstances, to disperse that bogus body. The assuming of office, in a time of peace, is a crime of which the Governor can take no more cognizance, officially, than of an act of burglary or murder. In time of war, he might issue a proclamation forbidding such an assembly; and in case of disobedience, assume to disperse such a body; but in time of peace, when no proclamation was issued, he had no power, express or implied, to do it.

Dr. J. T. BARTON having resigned his seat as representative from Johnson County, Mr. P. RANDALL, of Gum Spring, was elected last Saturday.

Letters from the South represent that a large immigration from that region will set in early in the Spring. Steamboats and commission merchants may be getting ready. We have no news from the Legislature, which met yesterday at Lecompton. I shall keep you posted. H. G. P.

Rev. Dr. Bellow's Letter to the Disunion Convention.

Rev. Dr. BELLOWS, of this City, wrote a long letter to the Disunion Convention at Worcester, in which he counselled the Abolitionists as follows:

The Free States are, by the spirit and letter of the Constitution, by vast superiority in population, by representative rights and legislative powers, the legitimate controllers both of the foreign and domestic policy of the country. Mistake, apathy, folly, fear in the use of this right and duty, have placed us in this balance, in which Slavery and Freedom, slave soil and free-soil, slaveholders and freemen, seem in a perfect equipoise of rights and powers, until the turning of the scale has unhappily come to be regarded as a matter of accident and uncertainty, of nice manœuvre, or of bargain and compromise.

To meet this state of things within my own limited sphere of influence and responsibility, I maintained in the last campaign, and in my own pulpit in the sermon to which you refer, the duty of resisting the extension of Slavery at the risk of the Union; and to imbolden those who regarded this consequence as probable, *I gave some reasons for thinking disunion*, if forced upon us by the withdrawal of the South, a more supportable calamity to the North than those who were trying to frighten Free-sellers from their Republicanism had represented it. But I was very far from expressing a desire for disunion, or from advocating separation, which I have never thought practicable, probable, or expedient. It was as a threat from the South that I braved disunion; not as a proposition from the North that I espoused it.

What I desire now and always to maintain is this: That our conscientious opposition to the extension of Slavery is not to be abated, or colored by fears for the Union; and that so far as it depends on the North, we are to stop its extension, let the consequences to the Union—to the North or the South—be what they will. This ground I believe to be the safe ground—the Christian, humane, patriotic, constitutional, unsectional, Union-saving ground. I take it as a lover of the North, and a lover of the South; as a believer in the future of the United States. I take it as a hater of Slavery, an undying foe to its extension, and laborer for its overthrow and extinction in the speediest manner and time consistent with our whole duty as American citizens.

But the specific object of this communication, is the consideration, from a statesman's view, of what is to be gained or lost by disunion—considered as a moral, social and economical remedy for the national disease—Slavery. Not overlooking the value of the protest against Slavery, which such a step, taken on moral grounds, would afford, I must still think the proposition of separation between the Free and Slave-States a direct flying in the face of Divine Providence.

Meanwhile, the rights and duties given to the North by the Constitution are a part of God's mighty Providence in the development of our future. We can resist and control the extension of Slavery, and this is our great, our immediate, our plain and our sole duty. Doing that, we do all we know and all we can. Less than that is imbecility, disloyalty and eternal disgrace.

With these sentiments I cannot join your Convention, for I profess none of the articles of faith upon which your call is founded. But as a friend of free debate, and a respecter of conscientious convictions, however unpopular or unwise, I wish you unlimited liberty of discussion, and anticipate no harm from your conferences to the Republic.

With the highest personal respect,
Yours truly, HENRY W. BELLOWS.
Rev. Mr. HIGGINSON, of the Worcester Convention.

A "National Asylum for Decayed Printers" is recommended by papers in Western New-York,—the conductors of which appear to feel keenly the necessity of such an institution.

AGRICULTURAL.

Uses of Salt on the Farm.

A practical farmer of twenty years' experience informs us that it has been his plan for many years to use salt with the turnips which he feeds to his milch cows, and that by it he is enabled to have the best of butter in Winter without the least disagreeable taste.

His method is to cut his turnips in the root cutter at least twelve hours before he intends to feed them. They are then thoroughly salted and allowed to stand until fed out. In this way and by never milking the cows immediately after feeding, he is never troubled with any taste either in the milk or butter. We have tried a similar plan, and have fed out a large crop of turnips to milch cows with great advantage, at a time when turnips were selling at a price which would

AUCTION SALES.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Auctioneer.

$165,000.—STOCK AT AUCTION—FOR ALBERT H. NICOLAY will sell at auction at his regular semi-weekly sale of Stocks and Bonds, on THURSDAY, Jan. 29, at (1)½ o'clock, at the Merchant's Exchange, 8,236 shares of New-York, Pennsylvania and Lackawanna Coal Company (shares 100 each). This Company is chartered by the State of Pennsylvania. Their lands (655 acres in all) are situated in Luzerne County, Penn., being in the centre of the noted Lackawanna Coal Field. The 7 acres about a square mile in extent, and midway between the great coal centers of Carbondale, Scranton, and Jessup. These lands are easy of access, besides the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Railroads, already running through the property, the Lackawanna and Lansboro Railroad, (recently chartered and to connect with the Erie Railroad, and the Binghamton and Syracuse Railroad,) will pass over this property, so that coal can be taken direct from the mines to the interior of New-York State. They are also in ready connection (by plank-road) with all the valley towns from Wilkesbarre to Carbondale, and from New-York distant but eight hours. The Lackawanna River, running half a mile through the property, affords an abundant water power for all mining and manufacturing purposes, and a sawmill is already in full operation on the lands of the Company. The property of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company immediately adjoins. That Company not long since obtained permission to investigate that portion of the property contiguous to their own; and they discovered a ten foot vein but 22 feet from the surface to the bottom of the vein.

The lands are fertile and a considerable portion in an arable condition, and being situated near the centre of the (1) Lackawanna coal fields, every foot is richly underlaid with thick and dense veins of the finest quality of anthracite coal, as per report of Prof. Rogers, who gives a calculation of $1,218,000 tons underneath the land, a part of which is above water-level. Wood abounds in this property, the principal species being hemlock and beech, with a few pine. Mr. E. Jones, the Mining Engineer of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co., whose certificate is given in the map, has made a careful examination of these lands, and furnishes satisfactory evidence of the existence of coal, which opinion is concurred in by Mr. James Clarkson, a well-known Engineer of that Company. The town of Archbald, with a mining population of over 1,500 is adjacent to, partly located on this land, and a great portion is now salable for town lots. The capital stock is $200,000, divided into shares of $100 each, fully paid up and subject to no assessments. The Stockholders are not personally liable for the debts of the Corporation.

The title is beyond dispute, and this Company gives promise of great profits in the future.

The terms of sale are as follows: Ten per cent. on the day of sale, and the balance within three days; for further particulars apply to ALBERT H. NICOLAY,

Auctioneer and Banker, No. 4 Broad-st.

ANTHONY J. BLEECKER, Auctioneer.

REFEREE'S SALE BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON BEACH, WASHINGTON, CORTLANDT, GREENWICH, AND 2ND-STREETS.—ANTHONY J. BLEECKER & CO. will sell at auction, at the Merchants' Exchange, on FRIDAY, Jan. 30, at 12 o'clock, the following valuable property, viz:

ON BEACH-ST.—The House and Lot known as No. 9 Beach-st., being on the N. side of the street corner of St. John's alley; size of lot 18.8x70. The House and Lot known as No. 15 Beach-st., on the N. side. The lot beginning 60 ft. W. of St. John's alley, and being in size 20x80. The House and Lot adjoining the above, and known as No. 17 Beach-st.; size of lot 20 ft. front and rear by 68.11 and 69.1 in depth.

ON WASHINGTON-ST.—The House and Lot on the E. side of Washington-st., known as No. 151 between Liberty and Cedar-sts. Lot in size 18.3 front and about 45 ft. deep.

ON CORTLANDT-ST.—The House and Lot S. side Cortlandt-st., and known as No. 76; size of lot 21.6x59 ft.

ON GREENWICH-ST.—The House and Lot E. side Greenwich-st., between Hammersley and Clarkson sts., and known as No. 587; size of lot 24x104 ft.

ON 2ND-ST.—The valuable Lot on the S. side of 2nd-st., 200 ft. E. of 7th-av., being in size 25x98.9. The street has a width of 100 feet.

GREENWOOD CEMETERY.—The Lot known as No. 4341, in the plan of Greenwood Cemetery, containing 300 superficial feet.

PEW IN ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL ON VARICK-ST.—The Pew No. 123, in the South aisle of the Chapel, with the fixtures belonging thereto.

For maps and further particulars, apply to the Auctioneers, No. 7 Broad-st.

By order of CHAS. EDWARDS, Referee.

W. S. MELLOR, Auctioneer.

BYW. S. MELLOR & CO.—THIS DAY, (FRIday,) Jan. 23, at 10½ o'clock, at salesroom Nos. 13 and 15 Park-row, opposite the Astor House, elegant cabinet furniture, eight rosewood 6½ and 7-octave piano-fortes, French plate mirrors, choice oil-paintings, several royal Wilton carpets, French China ware, &c. Cabinet furniture consisting of a rich collection of desirable articles in the line, such as are rarely offered at auction, viz.: Several solid rosewood parlor suites covered with rich brocatel, plush and hair-cloth, chamber furniture, sets to match, consisting of rosewood bureaus, washstands and commodes; bedsteads, mahogany and walnut do.; several enameled chamber suites, in great variety of styles, plain and marble-tops; rich wardrobes, bookcases, secretaries, sofas and rocking chairs, tête-a-tête, plain and box sofas, Turkish easy chairs, mahogany and rosewood parlor chairs, office desks, pure hair matrasses, pallasses, pillows, bolsters, &c. Also, 100 choice oil-paintings, engravings, silver-plated tea sets, engraved glassware, &c. Also, at 12 o'clock, 6 superior tuned rosewood 6½ and 7-octave piano-fortes of excellent tone and finish, all of which are fully warranted and cannot be sold which purchased at private sale. They will be for positive sale, to pay advances. Good can be packed on the premises for shipping. Catalogues on the morning of sale.

WM. H. FRANKLIN, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED Property, in fee, on Madison and Monroe sts., in the VIIth Ward of the City of New-York, belonging to the Estate of HOWARD FURMAN, deceased.—WM. H. FRANKLIN & SON will sell at auction on FRIDAY, Jan. 23, 1857, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, the following desirable property:

On Monroe street.—The two-story brick house and lot of ground No. 39 Monroe-st.; lot 25 feet front and rear, 62 feet 11 inches on one side and 66 feet on the other.

Also, the two-story brick house and lot of ground, adjoining the above, and known as No. 37 Monroe-st.; lot 20 feet 6 inches by 46 feet.

Also, the two three-story brick houses and plot of ground in the rear of the above, having a front of 4 feet 5 inches on the street, 56 feet rear, and 100 feet 10 inches in depth.

Also, the two three-story brick houses and lots of ground Nos. 106 and 108 Madison-st. Lots each 25 by half the block.

For maps, terms, and further particulars, inquire of WM. H. FURMAN, Executor.

AUGUSTUS WETMORE, No. 73 Water-st.

Or at the office of the Auctioneers, No. 5 Broad-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' PEREMPTORY SALE OF BROADWAY AND FIFTY-SIXTH STREET PROPERTY.—ADRIAN H. MULLER will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Jan. 27, 1857, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, by order of the undersigned, Executors of the estate of Catharine Coster, deceased, the following described real estate, viz.:

BROADWAY.—Five lots, commencing on the southeast corner of Broadway and 50th-st.

FIFTY-SIXTH-STREET.—Also, 6 lots on the south side of 56th-st., in rear of the above.

For maps, &c., apply to the auctioneer, No. 38 Wall-st.

PETER A. HEGEMAN, CORNELIUS WESTERFIELD, } Executors.

WILLIAM T. BOYD, Auctioneer.

BY GEORGE NICHOLS—ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD furniture at No. 24 West 26th-st., between 5th and 6th avs., at 10½ o'clock, on SATURDAY, Jan. 24, consisting of one suite of rosewood parlor furniture in green brocatelle, made by PHELPS & KINGMAN; elegant rosewood piano-forte, 6½ octave, with pearl keys, made by PIRSSON & CO., New-York, cost $600; suite of green cotton furniture, rosewood marble-top centre-tables, black walnut side-tables; hair and straw mattresses, blankets, spreads, gilt-frame looking-glasses, elegant gas chandeliers and brackets, black walnut bookcase, rockers, &c. Also S. P. glass and China ware, and a variety of kitchen utensils, with which the sale will commence.

WILLIAM T. BOYD, Auctioneer.

BY GEORGE NICHOLS, AT STORE NO. 64 Nassau-st., at 10½ o'clock on SATURDAY, Jan. 24, new and second-hand furniture, comprising elegant suites of parlor furniture, in brocatel and hair cloth, mahogany bedsteads, mahogany marble-top centre, side and pier tables, rosewood do., lounges and lounge bedsteads, oak corner stands, bookcases, mahogany chairs in hair cloth, mahogany settees in do, rockers, hair mattresses, straw do., oil paintings, silver-plated, glass and China ware; 1 elegant rosewood piano-forte, and a variety of kitchen utensils, &c. Also, 20 gallons of brandy.

JOHN E. VAN ANTWERP, Auctioneer.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE, STOCK OF HARDWARE.—JOHN E. VAN ANTWERP—sale of hardware, &c., by order of the Assignee, at No. 9 Gold-st. will be continued and closed THIS DAY. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

GOLD MEDAL PIANOS!—STEINWAY & SONS have again been awarded the First premium at the late Fair of the American Institute, New-York; and also the first Premium Gold Medal at the late Fair of the Maryland Institute, Baltimore, in addition to the three already received, making five first prize medals within the last 18 months. No. 84 Walker-st.

T. H. CHAMBERS' PIANOS.—PIANOS FOR sale, repaired, and to rent. Second-hand Pianos at $100, $125, $150, at No. 385 Broadway.

A warranted, $450, rosewood, carved, 7-octave Piano, for $300. A warranted, $350, rosewood, serp., 7-octave Piano, for $250.

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RAVEN, BACON & CO., SUCCESSORS TO RAGON & RAVEN, Piano-forte manufacturers, WAREROOM No. 135 Grand-st., near Broadway, WHERE a full assortment of instruments may be found, exclusively of our own manufacture. Warranted in every respect.

A FINE-TONED AND BEAUTIFUL PIANO for $165 which cost $300. This is unquestionably a bargain. Apply to MR. GROVES, No. 19 St. Mark's-place, between 3d and 2d avs.

PIANOS TO LET.—HAINES BROS.' PIANOS to let, at their manufactory, Nos. 326, 328, 330, 332 and 334 3d-av., cor. 21st-st. Rent applied towards purchase if desired. J. M. PELTON.

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SCHOOL CIRCULARS AND EVERY INFORMATION can be obtained at the United States and B. N. American School Agency, No. 129 Nassau-st., room No. 3, next to the Nassau Bank. Schools and families supplied with competent teachers. Teachers wishing engagements are invited to apply to HATTON & WELLS.

$112 A YEAR IS CHARGED FOR BOARD and Tuition at the HUDSON RIVER INSTITUTE, at Claverack, N. Y., three miles from Hudson City. Next term opens April 17. Male and female. For catalogues, address C. H. GARDNER, A. M., Principal.

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NOTICE TO OWNERS OF PROPERTY ASSESSED FOR CENTRAL PARK.—The owners of property assessed for Central Park are hereby notified that said assessments can be paid at this office until February 28, 1857, inclusive with 7 per cent. interest from 5th of February, 1857, the date of the confirmation of the assessment by the Supreme Court. After that date the assessment list will be returned to the Bureau of Arrears, when interest will be charged at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from the date of confirmation, Feb. 5, 1856. The property assessed is embraced in the following boundaries: on the East one half way between 3d and 3d ave.; on the West, one half way between 10th and 11th ave.; on the North, one half way between 110th and 117th sts.; also, from eastern side of 5th-av. to western side of 8th-av., inclusive, to one half way between 110th and 120th sts.; on the South one half way between 41st and 42d sts. Also, on the east side of 8th-av. to western side of 8th-av., inclusive, to half way between 53d and 54th sts. JOSEPH R. TAYLOR,

Collector of Assessments, No. 2 basement of City Hall, Office of Collector of Assessments.

JANUARY 10, 1857.

OFFICE OF THE MICHIGAN SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 18 William-st.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 21, 1857.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have this day declared a Dividend of Five per cent. upon the capital stock, payable in cash, on and after the 5th of February next. The transfer books will be closed on the 26th inst. at 3 o'clock, P. M., and open on the 6th February. EDWIN C. LITCHFIELD, Treasurer.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—OFFICE OF THE GALENA AND CHICAGO U. R. R. CO., Chicago, Jan. 8, 1857.—Notice is hereby given to stockholders of the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad Company, that the Transfer Books at this office will be closed on the 28th day of January instant, preparatory to the payment of the February dividend, and reopened on the 2d day of February next. W. M. LARRABEE, Sec'y.

TOLEDO, WABASH AND WESTERN RAILROAD.—(Late the Toledo and Illinois and the Lake Erie, Wabash and St. Louis Railroads.) The Coupons for interest, maturing on the 1st of February next, on the First Mortgage Bonds, will be paid on that day at the office of E. WHITEHOUSE, SON & MORISON, No. 54 William-st., corner of Pine.

$100,000.—CALIFORNIA STATE 7 per cent. Bonds, or San Francisco 10 per cents wanted in exchange for staple American and Foreign hardware in original packages, or unincumbered real estate, situated in New-York or Brooklyn, at prices that will be satisfactory. Address Box No. 1,298 Post-Office.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD SEVEN PER CENT. BONDS.—The undersigned offer for sale the 7 per cent. Coupon Bonds of this Company, (late issue,) having twenty years to run; interest payable semi-annually, on the first days of February and August, at the Company's Agency in this City.

DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.

NOTICE TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—MAURICE STRAKOSCH respectfully requests the Stockholders to call or send to the office of the Executive Committee, No. 47 Wall-st., and exchange their Tickets on or before MONDAY, Jan. 26, on and after which date, the old tickets will positively not be admitted.

WEST COLUMBIA MINING AND MANUFACTURING CO.—The Coupons of Loan Certificates due Feb. 1, 1857, will be paid on and after that date at the office of the Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Co., No. 25 William-st. SAM'L HAMILTON, Treasurer.

GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION RAILROAD.—The Second Mortgage Sinking Fund Bonds of this Company due in 1875, interest at 7 per cent., payable half-yearly in New-York, are for sale by

STRACHAN & SCOTT, No. 51 William-st.

ASHUELOT RAILROAD BONDHOLDERS—Will consult their interest by communicating their address and the amount of their bonds severally to the undersigned. JOHN HENRY ELLIOT, Trustee.

KEENE, N. H., Jan. 7, 1857.

STOCKS.—THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS HIS services to his friends for the purchase and sale of Stocks on commission. CHARLES R. MARVIN, No. 27 William-st., second story.

BUSINESS PAPER NEGOTIATED.—Advances made upon vessels at sea, or in port, and upon Bank, Railway, Fire and Life Insurance Stocks.

JOHN B. MURRAY, No. 44 Wall-st.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO., NO. 59 WALL-st., issue credits for Commercial and Traveling purposes, available in any part of the world.

CORNING & CO., NO. 63 WALL-STREET—Bank-bills on London for sale in sums to suit.

BANK NOTICES.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION—No. 247 Broadway, entrance on Park-place.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—Depositors are hereby notified that the usual semi-annual dividend on all sums entitled thereto at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on sums not exceeding $500, and 5 per cent. over $500, will be paid on and after MONDAY, Jan. 19. Interest not called for will be credited as principal, and draw interest accordingly from Jan. 1.

Bank open daily from 10 to 2 o'clock, and Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 7 o'clock.

FRANCIS P. SCHOALS, President.

WADE B. WORRALL, Secretary.
PETER CUMMING, Accountant.

BANK DEPARTMENT—STATE OF NEW-YORK—ALBANY, Jan. 16, 1857.—The MERCHANTS AND FARMERS' BANK (Ithaca) has this day filed in this Office a notice of the appointment of the MERCANTILE BANK, in the City of New-York, as agent for the redemption of its circulating notes, together with a revocation of the appointment of the Albany Exchange Bank as such agent, agreeable to the Act entitled "An Act to amend the several Acts relating to Incorporated Banks, Banking Associations and Individual Bankers," passed April 17, 1851. JAMES M. COOK, Superintendent.

BANK DEPARTMENT.—ALBANY, JAN. 19, 1857.—The BANK OF COMMERCE of Putnam County, (Carmel,) has this day filed, in this office, a notice of the appointment of the NEW-YORK EXCHANGE BANK, in the City of New-York, as agent for the redemption of its circulating notes, together with a revocation of the appointment of KELLEY, TOWNSEND & CO. as such agents, agreeable to the act entitled "An act to amend the several acts relating to Incorporated Banks, Banking Associations and Individual Bankers," passed April 17, 1851. JAMES M. COOK, Superintendent.

ELECTION NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTion for Directors of the Irving Bank of the City of New-York, and for three Inspectors of the next ensuing election, will be held at the Bank, on MONDAY, the 2d day of February, 1857. The polls will be open from 1 to 2 o'clock P. M.

DANIEL V. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier.

CONTINENTAL BANK—JAN. 19, 1857.—THE annual election for seventeen Directors and three Inspectors of the succeeding election will be held at the Banking room No. 12 Wall-st., on MONDAY, the 2d day of February next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

B. F. WARNER, Cashier.

INSURANCE.

OFFICE OF THE
HARMONY FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NO. 6 BROAD STREET,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1857.

The following gentlemen were duly elected Directors of this Company, at the annual election, held at the office, on Monday, 5th instant, viz.:

W. Callender,	Fred'k DePeyster,	T. James Glover,
Eugene Dutilh,	Jas. Donaldson,	E. H. Howell,
F. A. Hargous,	John Brouwer,	S. P. Bell,
M. X. Harmony,	Arthur Leary,	L. Wells,
Peter Morris,	G. W. Coster,	J. M. Metley,
Henry Morgan,	John Garcia.	

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held this day, Wm. Callender was unanimously reflected President for the ensuing year. R. O. GLOVER, Secretary.

HOME INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK—Office, No. 4 Wall-st.

Cash capital	$300,000 00
Amount of Assets Jan. 1, 1857	872,828 31
Amount of Liabilities Jan. 1, 1857	42,462 98

This Company continues to insure buildings, merchandise, ships in port and their cargoes, household furniture and personal property generally, against loss or damage by fire, on favorable terms.

LOSSES EQUITABLY ADJUSTED AND PROMPTLY PAID.

DIRECTORS:

Charles J. Martin,	A. F. Willmarth,	Wm. G. Lambert,
George C. Collins,	Dan'd M. Barney,	Lucius Hopkins,
Thomas Messenger,	Wm. H. Mellen,	Chas. B. Hach,
B. Watson Bull,	L. Atterbury, Jr.,	Lucien D. Coman,
Homer Morgan,	Levi P. Stone,	James Humphrey,
George Pearce,	Ward A. Work,	James Low,
L. H. Frothingham,	Chas. A. Bulkley,	Cephas H. Norton,
George D. Morgan,	Theo. McNamee,	Richard Bigelow,
Oliver E. Wood,	Amos R. Eno,	Alfred S. Barnes,
George Bliss,	Roe Lockwood,	John G. Nelson,
Lyman Cooke,	Levi P. Morton,	Curtis Noble,
J. B. Hutchinson,	Stephen Paul,	Chas. P. Baldwin,
H. Gilbert Ely,	Amos T. Dwight,	H'y A. Hurlbut,
Jesse Hoyt,	Wm. Sturgis, Jr.,	John R. Ford,
Sidney Mason,	Geo. T. Stedman.	

The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of fifteen per cent., payable on demand.

CHARLES J. MARTIN, President.
A. F. WILLMARTH, Vice-President.

J. MILTON SMITH, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 22, 1857.

CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—CASH CAPITAL $250,000, with a large surplus. Office No. 52 Wall-st., opposite the Merchants' Exchange.

HUGH LAING, President.

DIRECTORS:

Hugh Laing,	Silas Bronson,	G. A. Townsend,
C. W. Lawrence,	E. R. Eno,	Don A. Cushman,
E. Townsend,	John Watson,	U. J. Smith,
C. E. Swords,	Jos. W. Corlies,	Alfred Willis,
Ellis Willis,	Samuel Willets,	S. L. H. Ward,
Stuart C. Marsh,	Wm. K. Strong,	Robert M. Bruce,
John Penfold,	S. T. Nicoll,	J. S. Boyd,
John Compton,	Geo. Griswold, Jr.,	A. Y. Delvalle,
D. Henry Haight,	Noah S. Hunt,	Henry S. Leverich,
Jos. Lawrence,	Thomas Small,	L. Turnure.
L. S. Suares,	J. R. Ransom,	

JAMES B. AMES, Jr., Secretary.

DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—OFFICE OF THE GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION RAILROAD COMPANY, Chicago, Jan. 8, 1857.—Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad Company that a semi-annual cash dividend of five per cent. upon the capital stock of said Company was declared on the 7th inst., payable on the 15th day of February next, at this office, in Exchange on New-York at par, to holders of said stock, at the close of business on the 31st of January instant.

A stock dividend was also declared, from the surplus earnings of the road, of ten per cent., payable at the same time and place, in convertible certificates, to be issued by the Secretary. The certificates so issued will be convertible into the capital stock of the Company at the pleasure of the holder, when presented at this office in sums of one hundred dollars, and will be entitled to all dividends declared after such conversion.

Holders who desire their dividends remitted will please so direct. W. M. LARRABEE, Sec'y.

OFFICE OF THE CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURG RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Jan. 6, 1857.

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. FROM the net earnings of this Company to the 30th of November, 1856, has this day been declared, to be paid to the Stockholders of the Main Line, standing on the books of the Company on the 15th of January inst., payment to be made in the bonds of the Company, payable on the 1st of January, 1870, with interest payable semi-annually, at the rate of seven per cent. on the 1st of January and July of each year, in the City of New-York. The bonds will be ready for delivery on the 15th of February. E. ROCKWELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE MILWAUKEE AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD CO., No. 87 Exchange-place,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1857.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—THE DIRECTORS OF this Company have declared a semi-annual cash dividend of five per cent. from the earnings of the road for the six months ending the 31st of December last, on all stock entitled to dividend, payable as follows: On stock registered in New-York on the 2d day of February next at this office, and on stock registered in Milwaukee on the 16th day of February next, at the Secretary's office in that city. The transfer books in this City will be closed from and after the 20th day of January inst., and remain closed till the 2d day of February next.

JOHN J. HILL, Register.

OFFICE OF THE SIXTH-AVENUE RAILROAD CO.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 19, 1857.

ELECTION AND DIVIDEND.—AN ELECTION of Directors of this Company will be held at the Offices at the Depôt on TUESDAY, the third day of February next, from 12 M. to 2 P. M. A dividend of 5 per cent out of the earnings of the road for the current 6 months has this day been declared by the directors, payable at the office of the Treasurer, GODFREY LEAKE, Esq., Cashier, at the People's Bank, on the second day of February next. The transfer book will be closed from the 21st instant to that day.

T. BAILEY MYERS, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—THE PETER COOPER FIRE INsurance Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of seven per cent., payable at the office of the Company, corner of 3d-av. and 9th-st., on and after MONDAY, the 26 day of February. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th inst., to the 26 of February.

JANUARY 15, 1857. WM. H. RIBLET, Secretary.

THE PETER COOPER FIRE INSURANCE CO. continues to issue policies on goods, wares, merchandise, store, dwellings, &c., on liberal terms.

Offices corner 3d-av. and 9th-st., and No. 61 Wall-st.

OFFICE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY, NO. 88 WALL-ST.—NEW-YORK, Jan. 8, 1857.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The Board of Directors of this Company have this day declared a dividend of six (6) per cent., on the capital stock of this Company, out of the earnings of the road for 6 months, ending Dec. 31, payable on and after the 21st inst. to the stockholders who were such at the closing of the books on the 31st of December last. AUGUSTUS HOFFMAN, Treasurer.

MASTERTON, SMITH & SINCLAIR STONE DRESSING COMPANY.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—A dividend of seven per cent. on the capital stock of this Company will be paid to Stockholders on and after the 20th January inst., at the office of the Company, foot of 29th-st., East River. By order of the Board,

ALEXANDER MASTERTON, President.
GEORGE HORNELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE RUTGERS FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 176 Chatham-square, corner Mott-st.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1857.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of six per cent., payable on and after the 2d day of FEBRUARY next. The transfer books will be closed from the 24th inst. till 2d February. By order.

EDWARD B. FELLOWS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE PEOPLE'S FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 26, 1856.

A DIVIDEND OF SIX (6) PER CENT. HAS BEEN declared, payable at the office of the Company, corner of Canal and Thompson sts., on and after 2d January next, until which time the transfer books are closed. By order of the Board, W. E. UNDERHILL, Sec'y.

EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 8 BROAD-ST.—NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1857. The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 10 per cent., payable on and after the 15th inst. The transfer books will be closed until that date. HENRY QUACKENBOSS, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1857. The Board of Directors of this Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of seven per cent., payable on and after the 5th inst. The transfer book will be closed until that date. JAMES B. AMES, Jr., Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE ARCTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—No. 39 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1857.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., payable on and after the 19th inst. RICHARD A. OAKLEY, Secretary.

FARMS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—A VALUABLE FARM AND MILL property in the town of Damascus, Wayne Co., Pa., within a mile of the New-York and Erie Railroad. The property consists of about 500 acres of land, the greater part of it covered with a heavy growth of hemlock, the bark of which can be sold within ¼ of a mile of the place. There is upon it a grist mill, two saw mills, a store, a coach maker's shop, smith shop, with trip-hammer worked by water-power, five dwelling houses, including manor house, barns, &c., &c. The power is supplied by two never-failing streams of water, and can be increased if desirable. It is also well calculated for a tannery, and to an energetic man would be invaluable. It will be sold on reasonable terms or exchanged for City property. By order of the heirs of JOHN THOMPSON, deceased. Inquire of Major THOMPSON, No. 26 Wooster-st., New-York, or of Rev. THOMAS MACK, Damascus.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—1,500 ACRES OF farming and timber lands; also a farm of 200 acres, with new dwellings and numerous outbuildings, in Virginia, 16 miles from Washington City, 5 miles from Alexandria and Hampshire Railroad, and 2 miles from the Cumberland Canal. Will be sold very low, or exchanged for good productive property.

A. J. BLEECKER & CO., No. 7 Broad-st.

FOR SALE—VALUABLE PROPERTY ON 19TH-st., next to corner of Avenue C, 100 feet front, 103 feet deep. Brick buildings thereon, formerly occupied as bolt factory, and suitable for any manufacturing business. There is an engine with boilers now in the building, also for sale. Apply to H. OOTHOUT, No. 8 Cliff-st.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—NO. 44 JANE-ST., THREE-STORY brick house, 25 feet front by 50 feet deep, including a two-story rear building, with all modern improvements, gas and Croton water throughout, in perfect order; easy of access by Eighth-avenue Railroad. Terms very reasonable. Apply to ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer, No. 38 Wall-st.

FOR SALE—THE HOUSES AND LOTS NOS. 390, 390½ and 392 Broome-st. Also, No. 181 Mulberry-st.; making 50 feet 6 inches on Broome-st., and 116 feet on Mulberry-st. $25,000 can remain on bond and mortgage. Inquire of W. W. STEPHENSON, No. 167 East 14th-st., near 2d-av.

FOR SALE—TENTH-AVENUE AND FORTY-FIRST-STREET.—A plot of ground 100 feet square, on the southeast corner of 41st-st. and 10th-av., suitable for a large manufactory. $5,500 on mortgage, at 6 per cent.; balance in good stocks or bonds. Apply to ADRIAN H. MULLER, No. 38 Wall-st.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND FURNITURE, BOTH first-class. The house is brown-stone front, with all the modern improvements—situated in 25th-st., a little west of 5th-av. Apply to S. S. HINMAN, No. 3 Broad-st., up stairs.

NASSAU-STREET PROPERTY FOR SALE.—The buildings and lots, Nos. 75 and 77 Nassau-st., 51½ feet front, 104 feet deep, or would be leased. Apply at the office of the Cannel Coal Company, 51 William-st.

CENTRAL PARK LOTS—FOR SALE—A PLOT of ground, 100x200, handsomely located on the Northwest corner of 8th avenue and 62d st. Apply to W. J. STEWART, No. 187 South-st.

HOUSES TO LET.

STORE AND OFFICE TO LET.—Will be finished by Feb. 1, being an addition to the brown stone building, corner of Nassau and Beekman-sts., suitable for an insurance office or bankers. Apply at No. 13 Beekman-st.

TO LET—STORE NO. 53 MAIDEN-LANE, 125 feet deep, with an L of 45 feet in rear. Apply to BACKUS, NICHOLS & CO., No. 51 Maiden-lane.

STORE NO. 122 CANAL-STREET, OPPOsite West Broadway, for lease, and fixtures for sale. Apply on the premises, immediately.

HOUSES AND ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED TO HIRE OR PURCHASE—A superior house, in good situation, between 25th and 23d sts. and 4th and 5th avs. Prefer one with stable attached and the house furnished in part. Would be desirable tenants. Apply to A. M. LYON, No. 27 Wall-st.

SMALL HOUSE WANTED—FROM APRIL or May, in a good neighborhood, with good yard, not lower than the line of 8th-st., nor higher than 16th-st., between the 6th and 9th avs. Unexceptionable references given. Address BOOKS, at this office.

WANTED—FROM 1st MAY NEXT, A THREE-story brick dwelling; location preferred above Bleecker-st. Address C. L., Box No. 2,534 New-York Post-Office.

WANTED—FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS, A furnished house in the country, in a pleasant and healthy location, and within one hour of the City. Apply to WM. OOTHOUT, Cliff, corner John-st.

FURNISHED HOUSE WANTED.—A WELL furnished house, in a desirable location, wanted by a small family. Possession will be required about the 1st of April. Address, with particulars, Box No. 194 Post-Office.

MEDICAL.

SANDS' SALT RHEUM REMEDY.

THE GREAT SUCCESS OF THIS MEDICINE in curing Diseases of the Skin, such as Salt Rheum, Ring Worm, Itch, Scald Head, Eczema, Scurfness, &c., is without a parallel in the annals of medicine. SANDS' SARSAPARILLA is recommended to be used to throw out the unhealthy humors from the system, when by applying the Salt Rheum Remedy externally, relief may be placed upon a speedy and permanent cure.

Prepared and sold by A. B. & D. SANDS, Druggists, No. 100 Fulton-st., New-York.

THE GREATEST MEDICAL DISCOVERY OF THE AGE.—MR. KENNEDY, of Roxbury, has discovered in one of our common pasture weeds a remedy that cures every kind of humor, from the worst Scrofula down to a common Pimple.

He has tried it in over 1,100 cases, and never failed, except in two cases, both thunder humor. He has now in his possession over 200 certificates of the virtue, all within 20 miles of Boston.

Two bottles are warranted to cure a running sore mouth.

One to three bottles will cure the worst kind of pimples on the face.

Two to three bottles will clear the system of boils.

Two bottles are warranted to cure the worst canker in the mouth or stomach.

Three to five bottles are warranted to cure the worst case of erysipelas.

One to two bottles are warranted to cure all humor in the eyes.

Two bottles are warranted to cure running of the eyes and blotches among the hair.

Four to six bottles are warranted to cure corrupt and running ulcers.

One bottle will cure scaly eruption of the skin.

Two to three bottles are warranted to cure the worst case of ringworm.

Two or three bottles are warranted to cure the most desperate case of rheumatism.

Three to four bottles are warranted to cure the salt rheum.

Five to eight bottles will cure the worst case of scrofula.

A benefit is always experienced from the first bottle, and a perfect cure is warranted when the above quantity is taken.

Reader, I peddled over a thousand bottles of this in the vicinity of Boston. I know the effects of it in every case. So sure as water will extinguish fire, so sure will this cure humor. I never sold a bottle of it but that sold another; after a trial, it always speaks for itself. There are two things about this herb that appear to me surprising—first, that it grows in our pastures, in some places quite plentiful, and yet it was unknown to the world, until I discovered it in 1846; second, that it should cure all kinds of humor.

In order to give some idea of the sudden rise and great popularity of the discovery, I will state that in April, 1853, I peddled it, and sold about six bottles per day. In April, 1854, I sold over a thousand bottles per day.

No change of diet ever necessary—eat the best you can get, and enough of it.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE.—Adults, one table spoonful per day; children over 8 years, dessert spoonful; children from 5 to 8 years, tea-spoonful. As no direction can be applicable to all constitutions, take sufficient to operate on the bowels twice a day.

DR. KENNEDY gives personal attendance in bad cases of Scrofula.

Manufactured by DONALD KENNEDY, No. 120 Warren-st., Roxbury, Mass. Price $1.

MARSH, ORVIS & CO., No. 150 Greenwich-st.; BOYD & PAUL, Chambers-st.; F. C. WELLS & CO., Franklin-st.; McKESSON, ROBBINS & CO., No. 116 Maiden-lane; HAVILAND, HARRAL & RISLEY, Warren-st.; WARD, CLOSE & CO., Maiden-lane; and retailed by all respectable Druggists.

Wholesale agents for New-York: CHAS. H. RING, No. 199 Broadway; C. N. CLICKENER, No. 81 Barclay-st.; A. B. & D. SANDS, No. 100 Fulton-st. Also, by all respectable Druggists. Also by Mrs. HAYES, No. 175 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; BARNES & PARE, No. 304 Broadway.

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NEW-YORK CITY.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

FATAL CASE OF ABORTION—ARREST OF THE ABORTIONIST—CURIOUS DEVELOPEMENTS.

Coroner Perry concluded yesterday an inquest, begun the previous day, upon the body of Mrs. Harriet Lawson, a widow lady, aged 40 years, who died on Tuesday evening at No. 146 First-avenue, under circumstances deemed necessary for investigation. The evidence offered proved clearly that the deceased had come to her death from puerperal peritonitis, the result of an abortion.

Among the witnesses examined was one Ann Armitage, residing at No. 289 South Fourth-street, Williamsburg. This woman swore that she was introduced to the deceased in the latter part of December last, by a Mr. Cromwell, residing at No. 20 First-avenue. Cromwell introduced her by a name other than her own, saying that "her daughter was married to a worthless fellow, and had got into trouble of which she wished to get rid," and inquired of her (Armitage) what was good to take under such circumstances. The woman Armitage, (we don't know whether she is Miss or Mrs.) said that was a strange question, but she nevertheless perfectly understood Cromwell's language, for she immediately answered, "I have been told that bitter aloes are good in such cases."

So bitter aloes, it seems, were taken by the unfortunate woman, but without the desired effect. The woman Armitage, who from the first had suspected that it was the mother and not the daughter who was in trouble, soon became intimate with Mrs. Lawson, and counseled with her almost every day. But as no "improvement" was visible, it was determined that the patient should visit Madame Restell. The Madame was accordingly called upon, "but," says the witness, "although she knew Mrs. Lawson, she refused to touch her for less than between $200 or $300." This was a price Mrs. Lawson felt unable to pay. Seeing an advertisement of a Madame Maxwell, she went, accompanied by Armitage, to visit that lady, who "agreed to take her in hand for $25." Mrs. Lawson, not having this amount with her, left, promising to call again, but she never did so. Soon afterwards, says the witness Armitage, "I mentioned Mrs. Lawson's case to Ann Dalton, and Mr. Elijah Hunt, the wig maker, at No. 116 Bowery, when Hunt said, 'Bring her to me; I will relieve her for $20.'"

Mrs. Lawson next visited the Bowery wig-maker, who performed an operation upon her, for which he received $20. Of this amount $5, as per previous agreement, was paid to Armitage for her services in soliciting the customer. The operation was performed in a room in rear of Hunt's store. Ann Armitage was present. When it had been performed the patient inquired, "will I be sick abed so as to have the doctor?" Hunt replied, "I think not; but if you are so much the better, for he will doctor you for inflammation of the bowels." The patient went to her home, and remained there a few days in unchanged health, taking such drugs and medicines as were prescribed for her by the wig-maker. Armitage, too, paid her friendly visits, and reported her condition to Hunt, at his store. Hunt was sanguine of the success of his operation,—for he remarked: "I have operated many a time, and never lost a case yet,—but this woman is the hardest case I have met yet. She will see, however, that I am no humbug."

At length, about a week after the performance of the operation, Mrs. Lawson was taken with labor pains, and became so unwell that a physician was called in to visit her on Friday last. He did not at first understand her position, and the sick woman grew worse. Soon suspecting the true state of the case, he learned of his patient that she had been operated upon and delivered of a child, of which one John Merserau, a man of property residing in Canal-street, was the father.

Mrs. Lawson grew gradually worse, and finally died on Tuesday evening.

This is the history of the case, in brief, as detailed at the Coroner's investigation.

When the evidence had all been heard, the jury, after an address from the Coroner, who recapitulated the evidence, retired, and soon after returned and reported their

VERDICT:

"That Harriet Lawson, the deceased, came to her death by puerperal peritonitis, the result of an abortion produced by *Elijah Hunt by the use of instruments and medicines.*"

Hunt was thereupon arrested and sent to the Tombs, where he will remain for future action in the case.

The women Dalton and Armitage were committed as witnesses, and the men Cromwell and Merserau will also be detained as witnesses.

COUNTERFEITING UNITED STATES COIN—ACTION BEFORE THE UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER.

The man giving his name Seraphine Pelurgen, who was arrested on Wednesday night for making and uttering spurious United States silver coin, was yesterday brought up before United States Commissioner WEBB.

The accused occupied a room in Eighteenth-street, between avenue A and First-avenue. From his dress and singular habits and care to always have his door locked when he was inside, and doubly locked when he was absent, he became an object, it seems, of considerable suspicion among the others living in the house. A woman (of course it was a woman) succeeded in getting a peep into his apartment, and discovered him sitting before a table with a quantity of what seemed to be silver coin upon it. The woman communicated what she had seen to a Mr. N. Brierhoof, who occupied part of the house, and Mr. Brierhoof related it to Captain Wines, of the Eighteenth Ward police, who detailed two of his men to watch the movements of the suspected party. On the second night of the watching the man came out and passed into the butcher shop of Mr. Edward Meehan, nearly opposite, and shortly appeared, bearing away a piece of meat. The officers then stepped into the shop and asked Mr. Mehan the kind of money paid him for the meat just sold, when it was ascertained that the money received was a counterfeit twenty-five cent piece. The officers directly proceeded after the man and arrested him within a few yards of his house. They searched his room, and found two trunks, one containing some clothing, and the other a lot of counterfeit coin, some bottles of chemicals, dies, moulds, stamps, and other counterfeiting utensils, with also one of Thompson's Coin Reporters. A quantity of bogus coin was also found stowed away in different parts of his bed. The total amount of the bogus coin found in the room, was 51 Spanish dollars, 23 half dollars, and 40 Spanish quarter-dollar pieces.

The prisoner is recognized as being an old offender, having once been (about five years since) sentenced to three years' imprisonment, by Judge BETTS, for counterfeiting. He is between 40 and 50 years of age, stoutly built, with a bald head, and very grave looking. He has in fact more the appearance of a German professor than a counterfeiter.

He is a native of Germany, we believe. His three years' incarceration at Sing-Sing had not, it seems, any good effect upon him.

CHARGES OF ARSON.

Terence Quinn was taken in custody yesterday, charged with setting fire to his premises, No. 253 Worth-street, on Wednesday night. Justice CONNOLLY locked him up for examination.

Policeman GURRY, while going his rounds on Wednesday evening observed smoke issuing from the rear of the dwelling-house of a German named DEIGHAN, corner of Fourth and Ferry-streets, and on entering found the premises on fire. A fire had been kindled in a bed between two mattresses. The officer says that DEIGHAN was present, apparently unconcerned, and refused to assist in extinguishing the flames; but on the contrary tried to prevent the officer from putting out the fire. DEIGHAN was arrested on suspicion of arson.

The Weather—A Horrible Nuisance.

Last night was decidedly the coldest of the season—the thermometer indicating zero, but the sharp, strong wind knocking the weather down some ten degrees below that point even.

It was too cold for rowdies on Broadway to do their usual howling from the omnibus sleighs, and so our central thoroughfare was tolerably quiet. But only tolerably so; the nuisance of rude abandoned women yelling out their obscenities was not entirely abated even by the weather. Why do not the police arrest those whose oaths and ribaldry shock all decent ears? They disgrace the City beyond measure. Has not the Mayor heard them? Don't the Captains of Wards know of it?

Last night a sleigh-omnibus driver in Broadway had an abandoned woman on each side of him on his high seat, all three of them joining out a drunken song, when a lady's voice was suddenly heard from the body of the sleigh—making the driver strangely still. The lady, in no very gentle tones, rebuked Jehu for his indecency, and confessed itself that of the drunken John's abused wife. The wretched cyprians fled at the next corner; John was sobered;—but the wife, mounting to the high seat, announced her intention to stay by until he went home,—bound that her man should go home sober and in good company one night in the year, at least.

Mail Arrivals.

The following is an official statement of the principal mails arriving at the City yesterday up to 11 o'clock P. M.:

	When due.	When received
Boston Mail	5 A. M.	10:50 A. M.
Second South Mail	12 M.	1:55 P. M.
New-Haven Mail	11 A. M.	2:30 P. M.
North and E. R. R. R.	11 A. M.	2:35 P. M.
Second North R. R. R. R.	3 P. M.	4:20 P. M.
Erie R. R. Mail	11 A. M.	5:20 P. M.

We have received no mails south of Philadelphia since Sunday night 12 o'clock. T. CLARK.

Railroads Opening.

On Wednesday, all the railroads leading out of the City were opened ready for the trains to commence running regularly, excepting the Harlem and the Camden and Amboy Railroad. The tracks of the two latter railroads were put in running order yesterday. The blockade to railroad travel to and from the City is thus terminated on all the railroads. The Long Island Railroad remains blockaded beyond Jamaica.

Geographical Society.

Prof. H. D. ROGERS, of Boston, who was to have delivered an address last evening, before the American Geographical and Statistical Society, did not arrive. The audience, happily, however, was not large.

Col. GILPIN filled his place by an extemporaneous review of the great mountain ranges, and passes, and basins of this Continent, exhibiting much familiarity with his subject. The South Pass of the Rocky Mountain he pointed out as the natural and only outlet for the Pacific Railroad; nature has provided the Euxine, the Bosphorus and Straits of Gibraltar as the natural gates for the commerce of Europe to pass to the Atlantic. A similar Pass, but requiring artificial means to perfect, existed for the passage of the commerce of our own Continent through the South Pass of the Rocky Mountains.

The Society passed a vote of thanks for the address, and requested a copy for the archives of the Society.

Kansas.

A meeting of the National Kansas Committee was advertised to be held at the Astor House yesterday, but the snow-embargo prevented. The advertisement was signed by H. B. HURD, of Chicago, Secretary, but Mr. HURD himself did not arrive. We understand that the Committee adjourned—lacking a quorum—to 10 o'clock to-day, at the Astor.

Run Away—A Fast Drive.

Yesterday morning, about 9 o'clock, a team of six horses broke away from a Twenty-third-street omnibus sleigh in the vicinity of Madison-square and dashed down Broadway at a fearful rate. When approaching Union-square the two rear horses fell, just as the leaders were preparing to leap into another sleigh full of passengers, and the whole six were brought to a sudden stop. It was singular that the frightened beasts did no serious injury, for they passed several public and private sleighs on their way up.

In the River.

JOHN DALEY fell into the East River, on Tuesday, from off the slip at the foot of Houston-street. Some men connected with the ferry at that place took him out and conveyed him to the District Police station, where he was medically attended, and afterwards sent in a restored state to his residence, No. 137 Avenue C.

[Advertisement.]

WOLFE'S SCHIEDAM AROMATIC SCHNAPPS.

A Superlative Tonic, Diuretic, Anti-Dyspeptic and Invigorating Cordial.

This medical diet drink, manufactured solely by the proprietor, at his distillery in Schiedam, in Holland, expressly for medicinal purposes. It is the pure tincture of juniper, distilled from the best barley that can be selected in Europe at any cost. It is flavored and medicated, not by the common harsh berry, but by the choice botanical variety of the aromatic Italian juniper berry, whose more vinous extract is distilled and rectified with its spirituous solvent, and thus it becomes a concentrated tincture of exquisite flavor and aroma, altogether transcendent in its cordial and medicinal properties to any alcoholic stimulant now in use in the world.

It has been submitted to all the first chemists and physicians in the United States, who indorse it over their own signatures as one of the great essentials of the *materia medica*. It is now prescribed with great success in gravel, gout, rheumatism, obstructions of the bladder and kidneys, dyspepsia, whether acute or chronic, in general debility, sluggish circulation of the blood, inadequate assimilation of food, and exhausted energy, are acknowledged by the whole medical faculty, and attested in their highest written authorities. Put up in quart and pint bottles, enveloped in yellow paper, with the proprietor's name on the bottle, cork and label. For sale by all the respectable druggists and country merchants.

UDOLPHO WOLFE,
Sole Manufacturer and Importer,
Nos. 18, 20 and 22 Beaver-street,
New-York.

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC.

Since the introduction of this superior medicinal beverage into the United States in 1848, a number of the liquor-mixers of New-York have put up a mixed and poisonous gin, which they call Schnapps, London Cordial Gin, and various other names, with forged medical certificates, certifying to the purity of their article. The public should be on their guard against such imposters. Read the following extract from the New-York press:

From the New-York Mercury.

FRAUDULENT IMITATIONS OF SUPERIOR COMMODITIES.

Among the many dishonesties of trade which the moral sense of the community is called upon to suppress, we would particularly notice a most pernicious and infamous practice adopted by unscrupulous dealers of imitating and counterfeiting the exterior appearance and precautionary labors of popular drugs, medicaments, and other articles of personal consumption, and thus, by seizing upon the well acquired reputation of an enterprising trader, palming off most destructive and worthless compounds to the sore detriment not only of the consumer, but to the character of the man who has expended thousands of dollars in "bringing the genuine article into esteem and demand. These petty larceny thieves are the pest of all honorable dealers and traders, and the trade is as much highway robbery as the violent appropriation of their neighbor's purse; in fact, they are beneath the burglar and highwayman in dignity—for these latter felons exhibit a bravery or recklessness of character in nowise distinguishing the mercantile assassin who stabs in the dark. And ought they not to be rewarded with a punishment commensurate with the cowardice of their crime? We were led to these remarks by accidentally observing a spurious counterfeit of UDOLPHO WOLFE'S Schiedam Schnapps. The labels were imitated perfectly, with the slight addition of a few letters to plead technical avoidance of the law against counterfeiting; the bottles were very similar, and everything carefully prepared to impose upon a careless purchaser. Now, is not the man who perpetrated this fraud a felon—a robber? Assuredly he is, for, as Mr. WOLFE has expended large sums to bring his genuine imported schnapps into popular demand, that demand may be justly considered a part of his capital in trade, and a fellow stealing a part of his reputation is as much of a thief as if he had stolen a barrel of his schnapps in bulk. And to this crime he adds a further one of defrauding the community by giving them a ruinous article for the money they intended to expend for a commodity in which they had confidence. And, further, every man who participates indirectly in the fraud, by selling spurious articles, is as much of an offender as the principal who planned the imposition. The remedy of Mr. WOLFE should lie in his holding all concerned up to the contempt of the community thus swindled by their operations, and unconsciously imposed upon by their noxious composition. We trust that Mr. WOLFE will obtain names, not only of the concoctors of these counterfeits, but of every man offering them for sale, and then publish them to the world; for his own reputation and the health of the community demand that all parties should be nailed to the pillory of popular execration.

[Advertisement.]

"WOODLAND CREAM"—A pomade for beautifying the hair, highly perfumed, superior to any French article imported, and for half the price. For dressing ladies' hair it has no equal, giving it a bright, glossy appearance. It causes gentlemen's hair to curl in the most natural manner. It removes dandruff, always giving the hair the appearance of being freshly shampooed. Price only 50 cents. None genuine unless signed FETRIDGE & Co., Proprietors of the "Balm of a Thousand Flowers." For sale at all druggists.

[Advertisement.]

MURRAY & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER.—The Spanish ladies are *connoisseurs* in perfumery, and throughout South and Central America, Cuba, and Mexico, this is preferred by them to every other floral extract. In the United States it is displacing the Farina Cologne and the Paris essences. Sold by D. T. LANMAN & Co., wholesale druggists, No. 69 Water-street, New-York, and by all druggists, at 50c. per bottle.

[Advertisement.]

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS—LET THE SICK GIVE HEED.—The stomach is the commissariat of the physical system. It furnishes the material sustenance of every organ. If disordered, the whole body languishes, but however affected, its tone and vigor may always be restored by a course of these irresistible Pills. Sold at the manufactories, 80 Maiden-lane, New-York, and 244 Strand, London; and by all druggists, at 25c., 62½c., and $1 per box.

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HERRING'S PATENT CHAMPION FIRE-PROOF SAFES.—Nos. 135, 137 and 139 Water-street, and No. 5 Murray-street, New-York.

[Advertisement.]

GIVE UP THE GHOST.

"Never give up the ship," nor yet the ghost, if you can help it. While there is life there is hope. People do not die of consumption now, as they used to. Scrofula is easily cured by proper means. You need not suffer long with rheumatism unless you wish it. A stroke of palsy can be readily gotten over. Liver complaints, as well as all heart diseases, yield to the proper medicine. But remember that the only positive cure for these terrible disorders is IODINE. Dr. HENRY ANDREE' Liquid Iodine or Pure Iodine Water, sold at $1 a bottle, by ANDREE & FOSDICK, No. 3 Second-avenue and No. 562 Broadway, and C. H. RING, No. 192 Broadway; A. HULSE, No. 48 Fulton-street, Brooklyn, and all the druggists.

[Advertisement.]

PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.—The magnificent pantomime of "Planche, or the Lively Fairies," and the beautiful drama of "Wissahickon, or the Heroes of 1776," are both to be performed at this prosperous Theatre to-night with the drama of "Norah Creina." Make early application for places.

LONG ISLAND.

Annual Report of the Brooklyn Health Officer.

During the year 1856 there were 3,762 deaths—a decrease of 150 as compared with 1855.

MONTHLY STATEMENT.

	Males.	Fem's.	Adults.	minors.	nat'ves.	foreign's.	Tot'l.
January	155	148	103	200	203	70	303
February	146	147	87	206	220	63	293
March	181	153	104	230	239	65	304
April	145	134	96	184	216	63	279
May	136	128	106	157	196	67	263
June	122	119	91	148	170	69	239
July	218	163	104	276	309	71	380
August	235	227	140	322	367	95	462
September	196	209	145	263	300	98	398
October	149	147	98	198	215	83	296
November	189	134	109	141	175	75	250
December	154	141	114	181	215	77	292
Total	1,926	1,836	1,198	2,428	2,603	856	3,762

AGES.

1 year and under	1329	40 years to 50	189
1 year to 2	456	50 years to 60	147
2 years to 5	374	60 years to 70	134
5 years to 10	145	70 years to 80	94
10 years to 20	168	80 years to 90	34
20 years to 30	392	90 years to 100	3
30 years to 40	315		

Total 3,762

BIRTH PLACES.

Azores, Belgium, Cuba, Denmark, Italy, Malta, San Domingo, Spain, Switzerland—1 each. Atlantic Ocean, Austria, China, Poland, Prussia—2 each. Sweden, 3; Portugal, 4; West Indies, 4; Holland, 6; France, 7; British Colonies, 10; Scotland, 31; Germany, 50; England, 137; Ireland, 615; United States, 2,866.

Of the deaths, 373 were from causes other than diseases, viz.:

Burned	15	Drowned	31
Casualties	43	Exposure	1
Killed	5	Malformed	18
Stillborn	200	Premature Birth	50
Suicide	6		

Leaving the whole number of deaths by disease 3,389.

Estimating the population of the city at 200,000, the ratio of deaths is one to 59, a result highly favorable to the healthy condition of the city.

Diseases.		Diseases.	
Abscess	6	Gravel	1
Abscess, Liver	3	Heart Disease	46
Abscess, Lumbar	5	Spinal Disease	4
Abscess, Lungs	2	Hemorrhage	3
Abscess, Stomach	1	Hemorrhage Bowels	2
Apoplexy	38	Hemorrhage Lungs	8
Asphyxia	10	Hemorrhage Stomach	3
Ansurism	1	Hemorrhage Uteri	8
Asthma	7	Hernia	1
Bronchitis	16	Whooping Cough	37
Burned	15	Hysteria	1
Chorea	1	Influenza	4
Colic, Bilious	2	Inflammation	5
Chicken Pox	7	Inflammation, bladder	1
Concussion of Brain	2	Inflammation, bowels	81
Consumption	448	Inflammation, brain	48
Convulsions	252	Inflammation, heart	11
Convulsions Puerperal	7	Inflammation, kidneys	15
Croup	116	Inflammation, liver	17
Congestion	5	Inflammation, lungs	160
Congestion Brain	113	Inflammation, stomach	14
Congestion Lungs	105	Inflammation, uteri	3
Constipation	5	Inflammation, throat	6
Cyania	6	Ileus	3
Cancer	8	Insanity	1
Cancer, Breast	4	Intemperance	6
Cancer, Bowels	2	Ischunia	2
Cancer, Rectum	2	Jaundice	3
Cancer, Stomach	2	Killed	5
Cancer, Uteri	5	Marasmus	225
Carbuncle	2	Malformed	13
Catarrh Senile	2	Measles	8
Casualties	43	Miscarriage	1
Cholera Infantum	199	Old Age	12
Cholera Morbus	10	Palsy	30
Debility	95	Premature Birth	50
Delirium Tremens	12	Parturition	3
Diabetes	1	Porrige	2
Diarrhœa	6	Purpura, Hemorrhagica	5
Dropsy	44	Rheumatism	4
Dropsy, head	196	Rupture Bladder	1
Dropsy, heart	10	Rupture Uteri	1
Dropsy, ovary	3	Scrofula	28
Drowned	31	Soft Brain	6
Dysentery	77	Still-born	200
Dyspepsia	1	Small Pox	27
Epilepsy	4	Spine	8
Erysipelas	28	Suicide	6
Exposure	1	Stroke Lightning	1
Fever	8	Stroke Sun	2
Fever, bilious	34	Tetanus	2
Fever, congestive	14	Teething	26
Fever, congestive bilio's	12	Trismus nas	6
Fever, typhoid bilious	6	Tumor Ovar	1
Fever, remittent	4	Ulcer Bowels	4
Fever, yellow	29	Ulcer Stomach	2
Fever, Puerperal	88	Ulcer Throat	3
Fever, Scarlet	241	Ulcer Uteri	1
Fever, Typhus&Typh'd	10	Unknown	11
Gangrene	9		

☞ Who wouldn't like to be a Clergyman on New-Year's day? The people of Newton, Long Island, dropped in upon their Pastor, Rev. T. G. STRONG, and left him *six hundred dollars*, cash in hand, last New-Year's.

☞ The second lecture in the East Brooklyn course was delivered, on Wednesday night, before a large audience, by Dr. FRANK TUTHILL. Subject—"A Lost Sense."

Standing Committees of the Brooklyn Common Council, 1857.

At a special meeting of this body, held Wednesday evening, the following Committees were filled by the President. The Committees are the same as last year, with the addition of a Committee on "Tenant Law:"

On Laws and Applications to the Legislature—Preston, Fowler, Ralphs, Clark, Pierson.

On Opening Streets, Avenues and Parks—Wilson, Walsh, Russell, Fithian, Hudson.

On Grading and Paving Streets and Avenues—Van Brunt, Preston, Cashaw, Jenkins, O'Neil.

On Finance—Fowler, Jenkins, Kalbfleish, Schols, Palmer.

On Assessments—Schols, Lowber, Fowler, Walsh, Del Vecchio.

On Public Sewers, Culverts and Grades—Dorlon, Snyder, Walsh, Smith, Bannon.

On Railroads—Kalbfleisch, Bliss, Russell, O'Neil, Pierson.

On Public Lands and Buildings—Suydam, Jenkins, Woglom, Clark, McNamee.

On Fire Department, W. D.—Vail, Schols, Fowler, McMahon, Hudson.

On Fire Department, E. D.—Kalbfleisch, Snyder, Suydam, Wilson, Smith.

On Stages.—Snyder, Vail, Hudson, Bliss, Del Vecchio.

On Police.—Cashaw, Del Vecchio, Walsh, McMahon, Dougherty.

On Water.—Lowber, Woglom, Preston, Van Brunt, Clark.

On Printing.—Spader, Clark, Snyder, Collahan, McNamee.

On Wells and Pumps.—Preston, Dorlon, Spader, Bannon, Fithian.

On Supplies and Expenses of Departments.—Russell, Dorlon, Woglom, Marrin, Pierson.

On Lamps and Gas.—Woglom, Shaw, Walter, Lowber, Palmer.

On Ferry and Water Rights.—Bliss, Fowler, Kalbfleisch, Marrin, Fithian.

On Schools, Arts and Sciences.—Jenkins, Ralphs, Vail, Del Vecchio, Preston.

On Public Health.—Walsh, Preston, Fithian, Schols, Clark.

On Public Cisterns.—Walter, Spader, Bogart, Lowber, Smith.

On Markets.—Cashaw, Walker, Snyder, O'Neil, Bogart.

On Tenant Law.—Clark, Van Brunt, Ralphs, Jenkins, Hudson.

Spanish Coin.

Business people generally in Brooklyn refuse to take the Spanish coin unless at the reduced rate, and this has caused considerable trouble, particularly in the railroad cars. Several "scenes" were prevented yesterday by interference of the Police upon conductors attempting to remove passengers for refusing to pass the condemned coin at less than its real value, and refusing to pay fare with any other.

Facetious.

Alderman KALBFLEISCH, in the Brooklyn Common Council on Wednesday, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That our Representatives in the State Legislature be requested to defer action on any or all bills that are now, or may come before them, relating to the local interests of the City of Brooklyn, until the same shall have been examined and assented to by this Common Council.

Attempted Robbery.

As Mr. JOSIAH ST. CLAIR, of Jersey City, was passing along Clinton-avenue, Brooklyn, Wednesday evening last, two ruffians came up behind him, and while one held his arms, the other tied a handkerchief over his mouth. Though taken by surprise, he did not lose his presence of mind, and giving the one holding the handkerchief a kick in the stomach, left him but one to contend with. This one, after a few raps from a brawny fist, was glad enough to escape, when Mr. ST. CLAIR pursued his way without further molestation.

Dangerous Sport.

A party of boys attacked a boy named MILES REDES on Furman-street, Brooklyn, Wednesday evening, pelting him with ice and snowballs. REDES, not relishing this kind of sport, drew a pistol loaded with shot and discharged it at his assailants, slightly wounding one of them. He was gallantly conducted to the Third District Station by a policeman, where he was committed to answer by Justice BLACHLEY.

Supposed Suicide.

A carpenter named JAMES JOHNSON died at the Fifth District Station-house, Brooklyn, yesterday morning, from the effects of an overdose of laudanum. He was found in the street the night previous by Officers MCGRATH and WHALEN, then laboring under the effects of the poison, and all efforts to relieve him proved unsuccessful.

Not Quite So Harmonious.

We stated a few days since that the Brooklyn Democratic City and County Committees in Kings County intended to fuse into one Union organization. It seems this arrangement is all on one side. The County Committee met Wednesday evening and repudiated the elections ordered for last evening. The end is not yet.

An Ex-Policeman Sues the City.

Officer REYNOLDS, of the Sixth Ward, Brooklyn, one of the recent victims of Mayor POWELL's guillotine, yesterday commenced a suit against the city to recover his salary from the time he was decapitated up to the present. He has reported himself regularly for duty, and this will be a test case for the whole of the deposed.

Kings County Hospital.

During the past week 49 patients were admitted into this institution; discharged, 25; born, 3; died, 5; viz: John Wapper, Germany, 22 years of age. Ann McDonald, Ireland, 60; Catharine Conlin, Ireland, 38; Mary Martin, colored, United States, 29; Wm. Finn, Ireland, 45. Total remaining 523.

The Henry Clay Case.

This tedious case will come on again for trial in the Circuit Court, Brooklyn, next Tuesday.

CIRCUIT COURT CALENDAR (Brooklyn) FOR THIS DAY.—Nos. 22, 26, 28, 31, 34, 36, 37, 39, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48, 50.

MARRIED.

SEDGWICK—ISAACS.—In this City, on Thursday evening, Jan. 22, by Rev. Dr. KNOX, STEPHEN J. SEDGWICK to JANET, youngest daughter of I. A. Isaacs.

EAMES—CAPEN.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Dr. Tyng, Mr. EDWARD EVERETT EAMES to Miss MARY E. CAPEN, eldest daughter of Henry T. Capen, Esq., all of this City.

☞ Portland papers please copy.

GARNETT—NELSON.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, by Rev. Dr. Bellows, Major ROBERT S. GARNETT, U. S. A., to MARIANNA EASTON, only daughter of George S. Nelson, of this City.

JACOBS—RAND.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 20, by Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, Mr. LUTHER M. JACOBS to Miss SARAH E. RAND, all of this City.

ROBERTS—BERRY.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, at St. Bartholomew's Church, by Rev. Samuel Cook, WILLIAM ROBERTS, Jr., of New-York, to LIZZIE, daughter of the late John W. Berry, of Paterson, N. J.

DE FOREST—GOODYEAR.—On Thursday, Jan. 1, at St. John's Church, Penge, near London, Eng., Mr. CHARLES DE FOREST, son of Wm. C. De Forest, Esq., of New-Haven, Conn., to Miss ELLEN M. GOODYEAR, daughter of Chas. Goodyear, Esq., formerly of the same city.

DIED.

HOBART.—In this City, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 21 WILLIAM HENRY HOBART, M. D., in the 53d year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, at Trinity Church, on Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock.

LINDSAY.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, of consumption, JOHN LINDSAY, aged 38 years.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, this day, (Friday,) from the residence of Thomas Macfarlan, No. 178 10th-st., at 4 o'clock P. M.

FERRIS.—In this City, on Thursday morning, Jan. 22, of scarlet fever, REED, youngest son of Reed and Mary Ferris, aged 8 years and 10 months.

The funeral will take place this day, (Friday,) 23d inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of his parents, corner of 23d-st. and 8th-av.

BRINKERHOFF.—In this City, on Wednesday, Jan. 21, at the residence of his son, No. 109 Hammond-st., GEORGE BRINKERHOFF, aged 91 years, 2 months and 11 days.

The funeral services will take place at Hackensack, N. J., where his remains will be taken for Interment this (Friday) morning, at 7½ o'clock.

MINTHORN.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, at 1½ o'clock P. M., of a contagious disease, R. W. T. MINTHORN, Professor of Music, aged 32 years.

His relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, this (Friday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 296 Hudson-st., without further invitation.

COBB.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, NATHANIEL R. COBB, Jr., son of N. R. and Charlotte R. Cobb.

The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, from Mrs. Kirtland's, No. 141 6th-st. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to without further invitation.

SANDAY.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, of hydrocephalus, JOHN, only son of Joseph P. and Agnes Sanday, aged 11 months and 19 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, at the residence of his parents, No. 31 8th-st., this day, (Friday,) Jan. 23, at 2 o'clock P. M., without further notice.

MAW.—In this City, on Thursday morning, Jan. 22, of congestion of the lungs, CLARENCE NATHANIEL, youngest son of Robert J. Maw, aged 6 years, 6 months and 14 days.

His remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery from his father's residence, No. 84 West 13th-st., on Saturday next, 24th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CRAWFORD.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 22, of congestion of the lungs, WILLIAM EDGAR, infant son of James F. and Harriet P. Crawford.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, without further notice, from the residence of his parents, in 21st-st., near 3d-av., on Sunday, 25th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M.

PHILLIPS.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 20, ADELINE L. PHILLIPS, daughter of Dr. G. N. Phillips, deceased, of Orange Co., N. Y.

The friends of the family, and of her brother-in-law, James J. Craig, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from his residence, No. 84 West 23d-st., on Friday, 23d inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., without further notice.

JUDSON.—In this City, on Wednesday morning, Jan. 21, JAMES JUDSON, aged 47 years.

The friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, without further notice, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Dr. Baker, No. 130 10th-st., on Friday next, 23d inst., at 3½ o'clock P. M.

HATFIELD.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Jan. 22, JOSHUA HATFIELD, in the 75th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend the funeral, at his late residence, No. 190 Atlantic-st., on Saturday, 24th inst., at 1½ o'clock P. M., without further notice.

BOLTON.—At Far Rockaway, L. I., on Wednesday morning, Jan. 21, of scarlet fever, WILLIAM HENRY, the beloved son of Wm. H. and Frances K. Bolton, aged 6 years and 1 month.

"Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

WADE.—At Walton, Delaware Co., on Tuesday, Jan. 20, LOUISE BEEBE, infant daughter of Emma J. and Chas. B. Wade.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

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Sales at the Stock Exchange...JAN. 22.

$11,000 Mis. State 6s.s10	85¼	100 Hud. Riv. R. R.b10	33¼
10,000 do.....b60	86	100 do.....s3	33½
2,000 Cal. State 7s '75.s8	65	200 Reading R. R.....s5	83¼
3,300 City 5s, '68.....s	90¾	400 do.....s	82¾
10,000 T. H.& Alt. 2d M.	74	400 do.....b3	82¾
16 National Bank	107¾	200 do.....s60	82¾
850 Cumb. Coal Co...b5	21½	200 do.....b60	83¼
100 do.....s3	21	50 Mich. Cen. R. R.	95¼
100 do.....b60	21	25 do.....s	95¼
200 do.....b60	20¾	41 do.....s	95
100 do.....s30	20¾	165 Mich. S. & N. In. R.c	87¼
450 do.....s	20¾	175 do.....s	87¾
300 do.....s	20¼	200 do.....b60	87¾
100 do.....b5	20	200 do.....b60	88¼
50 do.....b10	20	50 do.....b10	87¾
50 do.....s	19¾	100 Panama Railroad	94¾
50 do.....b60	19¾	50 do.....s10	94¾
50 do.....b60	20	10 Illinois Cent. Rail	137¼
100 do.....s3	20	100 do.....b60	137¾
100 do.....b30	20¾	50 do.....s	136¾
100 do.....b3	20	100 Gal. & Chi. R'd.b60	106
100 do.....s3	19¾	10 do.....s90	104¼
5 Del. & Hud. Ca. Co.	119¾	100 do.....s	104¼
200 W. C. & Iron Co...	35	100 do.....s60	104
300 do.....s	34¾	700 Clev. & Tol. R'd..b3	77
100 N. Y. C. R. R. b60	94¼	200 do.....b30	77¼
200 do.....b60	94¼	200 do.....b60	77¼
150 do.....s	94¼	300 do.....b60	77¼
50 do.....s3	94¼	400 do.....s	76¾
500 Erie Railroad.....c	63¾	100 do.....s10	76¾
100 do.....s10	63¾	100 do.....b15	77
50 do.....s10	63¾	100 Chi. & R. I. R'd..s	97¼
100 do.....b60	63	200 do.....b60	98
5 do.....s	62¾		

BETWEEN BOARDS.

After the adjournment of the Board, the following sales of stocks and bonds were made, at auction, by ALBERT H. NICOLAY:

$1,000 Sacramento City (funded loan) 10s. Int. ad. 65¼
$5,000 Milwaukee &